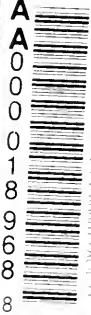


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The Inheritors of the Past

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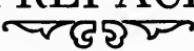
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# PREFACE



This little book has been compiled to meet the needs of the teachers of local history in our public schools.

We wish to acknowledge indebtedness for the material used from various books and records of the Public Library, also for helpful suggestions from many citizens.

It is the editor's aim to acquaint our readers with the past history of our city and thereby help them to appreciate the struggles of our forefathers in laying the foundation of the city of South Bend. We wish them to know the men and the industries that have made our city "World Famed".

E. J. B.

South Bend, Ind., 1920.

## What Makes a City Great?

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“What makes a city great? Huge piles of stone  
Heaped heavenward? Vast multitudes who dwell  
Within wide circling walls? Palace and throne  
And riches past the count of man to tell  
And wide domain? Nay these the empty husk!  
True honor dwells where noble deeds are done  
And great men rise whose names athwart the dusk  
Of misty centuries gleam like the sun.  
In Athens, Sparta, Florenee, 'twas the soul  
That was the city's bright immortal part,  
The splendor of the spirit was their goal,  
Their jewel the unconquerable heart!  
So may the city that we love be great!  
Till every stone shall be articulate.”

## FIRSTS IN SOUTH BEND

- 1820—First White Man—Navarre.  
1820—First Trading Post.  
1824—First White Woman—Frances Compart Coquillard.  
1829—First Post Office—Southold—Allen County.  
1830—First Postmaster—L. M. Taylor.  
1831—First Jail—Walls and floor of white oak, hewn one foot square.  
1831—First Practicing lawyer—Elisha Egbert.  
1831—First Keel boat for freighting on the St. Joseph.  
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1831—First Newspaper—The Western Pioneer and St. Joseph Intelligencer.  
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1835—First Church built, Methodist—N. B. Griffith—Minister.  
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1841—First Deputy County Auditor—Schuyler Colfax.  
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1847—First Bridge—Washington Street.  
1848—First Telegraph—Mrs. J. B. Reynolds received the first message.  
1851—First Railroad—New York Central.  
1855—First Fire Department—Volunteer.  
1861—First To give his life in Civil War—John Auten.  
1861—First Public School—old Jefferson—Now Administration Building.  
1865—First Mayor—William G. George.  
1866—First School Board.  
1867—First Historical Society organized.  
1873—First Daily Newspaper—Tribune.  
1880—First Telephone Exchange.  
1880—First Artesian Well—sunk.  
1882—First Trolley Street Car System in United States.  
1889—First City Park—Howard.



# CHAPTER I

## LIFE BEFORE THE ADVENT OF THE WHITE MAN

### THE MOUND BUILDERS.

The Mound Builders were a mysterious race of people who inhabited this part of the state centuries and centuries ago.

This mysterious race had built their homes on high points of land. Often times, they shaped the earthen mound to resemble huge serpents, elephants, or other animals.

The mounds had various uses. Sometimes they were built for military defense; sometimes they were sacred enclosures; and sometimes burial places.

The masonry was regular and strong and laid without mortar. Some constructed their homes of wood, but these have long since disappeared. Ancient trees have grown on the site of these homes. This helps to give us some idea as to the time that has passed since this race of people lived here.

There were a number of reasons why they built their homes on high ground. Can you think of any? First there was better protection from the wild, roving bands of enemy Indians. Second, in the spring when the floods came in the lowlands, they were high and dry. Third, when the lowlands became flooded, the animals took refuge on the higher land, thereby giving the inhabitants an abundance of food.

They were a peaceful race of people and skilled in the use of metals. They understood the tempering of metals, and used the finest of copper axes.

Many relics, utensils and fragments of pottery are preserved in the Northern Indiana Historical Society. All of these show them to have been a tribe far advanced in civilization.

For some unknown reason the tribes disappeared. Many believe them to have been driven out by the hostile Indians. Their mounds are found near Chain Lakes in Warren Township. Their mounds are numerous throughout the Mississippi Valley.

## COMING OF THE INDIANS.

Many, many years ago, the Indians, called the Miamis, paddled up the river now known as the St. Joseph, but called by the Indians, the River of the Miamis.

Upon their arrival at a landing place, just north of the city of South Bend, they decided to land. Many other Indians had landed here and passed on to other hunting grounds, so the path or trail was quite distinctly marked.

The squaws strapped the wigwams and cooking utensils to their backs, and many of them carried their papooses. They then marched in solemn Indian fashion, following the trail, through patches of hazel brush, dogwood, red-bud, and forests of mighty oak. We now know this historic trail as the Portage to the Kankakee. (Portage Avenue from Pinhook or Riverview Cemetery.) Soon they reached a height of land now known as Mount Pleasant, west of the city. Here they set about to build a village.

The squaws set up the wigwams and started to prepare the meal. This consisted of Indian corn, and fish, dogflesh, or the meat of the buffalo.

But first they must make a fire. Do you know how the Indian first made fire? I will tell you. Three men took seats on the ground facing each other, with a hard block of wood in front of them. One of the Indians had a long stick which he drilled into the hard block. He rolled it between his hands as fast as he could and when he got tired, the next one would begin without allowing the motion to slow up, when he tired, then the third one would take it up, and so on until a spark of new fire was seen. They quickly caught the spark in a piece of punk or other good kindling material.

Later the Indians learned from the missionaries that by rubbing flint and steel together, sparks would come much easier.

But where were the rest of the Indian men? You know the squaw does all the hard work in the Indian family, but the man hunts and fishes, and protects his family against enemies. Indians considered this a fair division of the work.

Many of the men started for the forests or prairies to hunt the buffalo, elk, bear, or wolf. Others have gone to the river to fish for the sturgeon and pike.

Just north of the place where South Bend now stands was the famous fishing grounds. Here at a place where the waters were

shallow, Indians of long ago had placed great white flag stones from shore to shore. The Indians in canoes were accustomed to go up stream some miles, then come back lashing the water, so as to drive the fish before them. Meanwhile other Indians, waiting to spear the fish, stationed themselves across this limestone floor, and watched for the form of the rolling sturgeon, the swift pickerel, or the quick darting pike to be outlined against the white stones. With their harpoon-like spears, they killed great boat loads of fish.

#### THE POTTAWATOMIES.

The Pottawatomies of the Miami Confederacy were a peaceful tribe, and many of them built permanent homes or huts called wigwams, made of poles stuck in the ground, tied together with pliant strips of bark and covered with skins of animals or large pieces of bark.

They were a hard-working tribe. They tilled the soil and raised a great deal of Indian corn or maize.

The women were always well-clothed, but the men used scarcely any covering and were tattooed all over the body.

The Miamis inhabited all the land west-ward from what is now Detroit to Lake Michigan.

In summer, they hunted and fished. In winter they passed the time in games and play, of course hunting and fishing enough to get fresh meat, when they tired of the dried venison or buffalo meat.

The men made their weapons for war and the hunt. These were the bow and arrows, spear, tomahawk, or hatchet, and war-club. The arrows and spears were pointed with barbed stone; the tomahawk was of stone, fastened to its handle by withes; the war-club was of stone, too, sometimes having a handle made of rawhide twisted and hardened.

#### THE IROQUOIS INDIANS.

The Iroquois Indians were warlike and barbarous. They would not work in the fields to raise grain. They were great hunters and would trade their game to the Miamis for corn. If the Miamis refused to trade, they would take the corn anyway.

One time, after having been refused grain by the Miamis, the Iroquois decided to attack. They gathered their men, put on their war-paint, and started secretly at night.

They approached the village stealthily, hiding behind trees and bushes. With a loud war-whoop they rushed upon the peaceful

Miamis. Instantly the air was filled with flying arrows. The warriors surged back and forth with wild whoops, and Indians lay dead all around. Both sides had taken many scalps, but still they fought on. Just when the fighting was at its fiercest, the Miami chief, "Frost on the Leaves," was seen approaching the Iroquois. He held in his hand the calumet or peace pipe. His chiefs, Rushing Water, Snow on the Mountain, Gray Eagle, Black Crow, Rain in the Face, and many more accompanied the Miami chief.

The Iroquois chief, "Snapping Turtle," with his many warriors came forward to meet Frost on the Leaves. He had with him his chiefs, Catbird, Black Wolf, and Little New Moon.

Do you know why Indians have such queer names? I will tell you. The Indians believed that the name for the new papoose must be whatever sight first met the eyes of the Chief. Aren't you glad your name is not chosen that way?

Frost on the Leaves placed the calumet on a mat on the ground. Meanwhile some Indians were busy making a fire, in front of the two chiefs. The calumet was lighted, and solemnly passed among the chiefs.

Then the Miami chief arose and made an eloquent speech in behalf of his tribe. At the end, he threw two belts upon the ground, one of red, and one of white.

All were silent, awaiting the chief's decision. Finally he picked up the white one. At this there was great rejoicing. Each tribe built its fire, and circled around it, singing and shouting their war whoops, with wild beating on their drums. This they kept up until all were exhausted.

And now, peace having been declared, the two chiefs exchanged gifts of grain, dried meat, beads and salt.

They then retired to their own country and peace reigned for a while.

Pottawattomie Park is named for this early tribe.

Miami Street is named in honor of the Miamis who once lived here.

## CHAPTER II

### FATHER JAMES MARQUETTE.

1675.

The French Missionaries were the first white men to visit Indiana.

These missionaries were pious men, who in early times left their homes in civilized countries, came among the savages, and worked diligently to convert them to the Christian religion. This they found to be a very difficult task.

The Indians were satisfied with their religion and did not care to make any change.

Father Marquette came to the new country at a time when the Indians of the Lake region were in great need of friends.

The Iroquois had been successful in over-coming the Hurons and destroying both the Missions and their missionaries.

In the face of all this danger, Father Marquette, accompanied by other French explorers, came into these dangerous sections expecting to meet martyrs' deaths.

Many of the Indians were friendly to their party, others were hostile.

Marquette and Joliet explored this lake region, reached the Mississippi, sailed down the river for some distance, and satisfied themselves that they now knew the course of the great river. They then turned back, leaving the Mississippi at the mouth of the Illinois river.

Marquette went over into the Wisconsin country and remained there at a mission to regain his health. The following November, he remembered his promise to the Illinois Indians that he would visit them again and he kept his promise altho still very weak.

It was through this peaceful valley of the St. Joseph in the month of May, 1675, that Father James Marquette, the Jesuit missionary explorer passed, on his way back to St. Ignace.

The tradition is that his faithful Indians carried his frail bark canoe, guided his feeble footsteps across the portage connecting the

Kankakee with the St. Joseph river, and thence conducted him down to the shores of Lake Michigan.

At the age of thirty-eight, worn out by his labors and exposure, he died and was buried in Michigan on the bank of the river that bears his name.

Two years later, his affectionate Indians came down the lake in a fleet of canoes and reverently bore his body to the beloved mission of St. Ignace, where he was finally laid to rest.

Father Marquette is believed to have been the first white man to pass through this valley of the St. Joseph.

Marquette Avenue is named in memory of him.

The State of Wisconsin has caused a statute of Marquette to be placed in the capital of Washington, thereby proclaiming him to be one of the great men of the West.

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#### CAVELIER DE LA SALLE.

1679.

While the missionaries were trying to teach the Indians and the traders were exchanging beads and trinkets for furs, a fearless and enterprising Frenchman, Cavelier de La Salle determined to explore the country, and trade with the Indians, on a large scale.

People were still searching for a shorter water route to China and Japan and La Salle was sure that he could reach it by sailing down Lake Michigan, up the river of the Miamis (St. Joseph) then by portage to the Illinois, and at last down the Mississippi, which he had concluded emptied into the Pacific Ocean. Was he right?

La Salle was well-fitted for this undertaking. He knew that there were fierce Indians and wild beasts in this part of America. He knew of the various hardships which he would have to undergo. Best of all, he could speak several Indian languages. You know the Indians do not all speak the same language.

So one July day in the year 1663 La Salle started on this perilous journey to find the mouth of the Mississippi. He went by Lake Erie, then across country and reached the Ohio river, but after travelling some distance upon it, his men, tired of the hardships they had undergone, deserted their leader, and he had to make his way back alone through the forests, living on such food as he could find.

He was not discouraged however, and continued for many years

to explore the country, trade with the Indians, build forts and trading posts and in 1679 he made another attempt. This time he travelled over the land on which South Bend now stands.

The landing of La Salle is of great historical interest to South Bend. It is located at a point called Pinhook, north of the city and within the boundaries of Riverview Cemetery. This is a most picturesque spot, and the name aptly describes the bend in the river. From this landing place it is believed that La Salle and his men travelled over the very country where our city now stands.

The following interesting story is told of his first visit here.

Coming up the western shore of Lake Michigan he followed the south shore until he came to the mouth of the Miami river (St. Joseph). At this point, he built a fort and a tiny chapel. On December 3, 1679, with thirty men in eight canoes, they paddled up the chilly current of the St. Joseph.

The Indian guide, "White Beaver," landed along the way to get game, meaning to rejoin them later. Not having their guide and because of the deep snow that covered the ground, the explorers passed by the portage without knowing it and paddled on farther up stream. About the time they reached the bend in the river where our Miami Street is, La Salle realized that he had gone too far.

He noticed the hills in the distance, and decided to land and climb to the top to get his bearings. This he did, but in coming back, he had to go around a swamp and made a mistake, going east instead of west. He at last reached the river, several miles east of the present site of Mishawaka.

The friar Hennepin and his lieutenant, Tonti, became alarmed at the prolonged absence of their leader and sent out a searching party, who went up and down the river, calling, but receiving no answer.

Snow was falling and it was difficult walking for La Salle. All at once he saw a fire, and felt sure that he had found his friends. But to his great surprise, a lone Indian jumped from his bed of old leaves and started to run. La Salle called to him in French, then in the different Indian languages that he knew. But the Indian did not answer. La Salle then took possession of his warm bed, lay down by the fire, and slept undisturbed.

The next day, he started down stream through the forest in search of his friends. He arrived at their camp in the afternoon, carrying at his belt two opossums, which he had killed.

You may be sure there was great rejoicing by the party at the return of their leader.

They had set up their wigwams, covered in the Indian fashion with mats of reed. On account of the cold, they kindled a fire just outside, and La Salle and Hennepin, being very tired, rolled themselves in their blankets and went to sleep. In the early morning the wigwams caught fire, and the two men narrowly escaped being burned.

That morning the canoes were drawn up on shore and dividing the load among the men, they started on their search for the Kankakee.

After travelling for a short distance, several of the men wanted to turn back, but La Salle pushed on, feeling sure that he would reach the Kankakee.

This he finally did, whereupon they launched their canoes, and started on their journey toward the Mississippi.

La Salle continued to make many trips through this part of the country, trading with the Indians and winning their friendship.

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#### LA SALLE'S TREATY.

The Iroquois were always making war on the weaker nations and La Salle thought that it would be a good idea to have the other Indian nations band together with the French and fight the Iroquois.

A great many tribes were afraid to do this at first but La Salle did not give up the idea.

The Miami village was located just west of South Bend, (though there was no city South Bend at that time) at a point near what is now called Mt. Pleasant on the Lincoln Highway West and he determined to get them to join, as the Miamis were much more powerful than some of the others.

He met with them in the month of May, 1681, under the great trees, the lakes and the pools of the headwaters of the Kankakee glistened in the sunlight.

First he passed the tobacco, which is regarded as a gift of the Great Spirit. The smoking of it was a solemn religious observance. Next he passed out great bundles of rich French cloth, saying, "These are to cover the graves of your dead." He then gave them

some well-made garments, saying, "These are for the comfort of your dead." This the Indians believed to be a great compliment to their dead.

Their hearts were softened toward La Salle and they told him that he should have his answer the next day.

The Indians held their council and decided to join the French and other Indian tribes and fight the common enemy, the Iroquois.

La Salle's treaty with the Indians is the subject of a beautiful painting in the rotunda of the County Court House. It is well worth the trip to the Court House to see it.

La Salle's Landing at the portage is also to be found opposite the above picture in the Court House rotunda.

Many reliques and reminders of these early days are to be found in the rooms of the St. Joseph Historical Association in the old Court House on Lafayette Blvd.

La Salle continued his explorations in the name of the French king, Louis XIV, for twenty-one years, but was finally murdered by one of his own men.

South Bend owes him an enduring memory. He, it was, who made our portage famous. He, it was, who crossed the portage in pursuit of a great purpose.

La Salle's name has been perpetuated in our streets, parks, lakes and public buildings.

## CHAPTER III

### COMING OF THE WHITE MEN, FUR TRADERS AND SETTLERS

PIERRE FREISCHUTZ NAVARRE.

1820.

No fairer spot for a city could well be chosen than the gently undulating banks of the St. Joseph river upon which South Bend is built.

Here, before any white man ever gazed upon the river's cool, green surface, the Indians beached their frail canoes, took them upon their backs, and set out across the low and narrow watershed to the head waters of the Kankakee.

Here, in 1820, Pierre Navarre, fascinated by the charms of the St. Joseph valley, located and built his log cabin on the north bank of the river. He established a post and began trading with the Indians.

The river was then a famous fishing ground, for every year the mighty sturgeon came up the river from Lake Michigan.

Pierre Navarre was an educated French gentleman. He had a kind, genial disposition, and was absolutely honest in his dealings.

He followed a custom common among Frenchmen of those days and married a Pottawattomie squaw. He lived very happily with his Indian wife and six children in the little log cabin on the river bank.

This log cabin was moved into Leeper Park a few years ago. If you care to see it, you will find it just east of the pumping station.

In 1840 Mr. Navarre moved west with the Pottawatomies, when the government sold their land and forced them to go farther west.

Later he came back and lived here until his death which occurred at the home of his daughter, Dec. 27, 1863. His body rests in Cedar Grove Cemetery near Notre Dame.

His name has been perpetuated in the naming of Navarre Place and Navarre Street.

## ALEXIS COQUILLARD.

1823.

The first citizen of our town and one of the founders was Alexis Coquillard. He was born in Detroit in 1795 and came to this trading post in 1823 at the age of twenty-eight. The following year he bought out the business that had been established by Navarre.

Coquillard was over six feet tall, and powerfully built. He was very business-like and honest. The merchants trusted him for his supplies, and the Indians had great confidence in his word of honor and honest dealing.

He came here to carry on the business of the American Fur Company. His first trading post was located on Dragoon Trace, now East Washington and Lincoln Way East, an old Indian trail leading from Fort Wayne to this Indian village.

Later he built another fur store at what is now the corner of Michigan and La Salle Streets. Here he also built a large log house.

In the spring of 1824, he married the sister of his partner, Frances Compart, a young girl of nineteen.

Their home became the center of the social and business life of the community.

Coquillard and Taylor (see story of L. M. Taylor) were business rivals but they worked together on every enterprise that would help build up the town.

The ferries, the dams, the races, the mills are the result of the public spirit, and work of these pioneers. The work of these men laid the foundations of South Bend's prosperity and world-wide fame as an industrial city.

In 1840, Coquillard was given the task of removing the Pottawatomie Indians to Kansas. This he did in a very humane way. He used enough wagons, so that every one was enabled to ride. In other cases of removal only the Indian women and children were allowed to ride, the men being compelled to walk all the way, many of them dying before they reached their destination.

Coquillard was much loved by all the Indians. He spoke the Pottawatomie language, and at one time they would have made him chief, if he had consented.

In January, 1855, his flouring mill burned. He was looking it

over, planning the repairs, when he had the misfortune to step on a partly burned timber and fell. He died an hour later.

Many things of interest locally remind us of this pioneer. Coquillard Park in the north-east part of the city was given to the city by the Coquillard heirs. Coquillard School was named for this pioneer.

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#### LATHROP MINER TAYLOR.

*1805-1892.*

Lathrop M. Taylor came here in September, 1827, and commenced trading with the Indians representing Hanna and Company. His trading post was located on the river at the end of what is now East Madison Street. He later moved to the north-west corner of Michigan and Washington Sts. where he continued to occupy offices until his death.

Mr. Taylor had learned to speak French, also the Miami tongue, and after coming to this post he learned to speak the language of the Pottawattomies.

Coquillard and Taylor made a perfect pair for the new settlement. Coquillard could neither read nor write. Taylor could read and was an excellent writer.

In 1829, the post office was established. Mr. Taylor was the first postmaster. It was called Southhold, Allen County. No one seems to know why it was called Southhold. At that time Allen County extended all the way across the northern part of the state.

The next year, 1830, the name was changed to South Bend, St. Joseph County. St. Joseph County too, was very large at first. It extended over what are now the counties of Marshall, Starke, LaPorte, Porter and Lake.

Upon the organization of the county, the Legislature provided that the offices of clerk and recorder, as well as clerk of the county board might be held by one man. This was very fortunate, as it is doubtful, if anyone but Taylor could have filled the offices.

If you will look over the first records in the County Court House, you will find them in the beautiful hand writing of L. M. Taylor. He still held the office of Postmaster and managed to keep his fur business going. So you see he was a very busy man.

You would be surprised if you could see the kind of post office

they had in those days. It was just a tall cupboard, set up in one corner of the trading post. This cupboard is still in the possession of the heirs of Mr. Taylor.

Money was almost unknown in those days. They brought the skins of animals and other things and traded for things they could not raise. Money was used mostly to pay taxes or to get a letter.

Taylor and Coquillard were the real founders of South Bend. They bought land from the government and on March 28, 1831, they platted the town. Our wide streets are due to the splendid foresight of Mr. Taylor. There were only one hundred twenty-eight people in the town at the time it was platted.

The first County seat was called St. Joseph and was located out near Riverview Cemetery, but Taylor and Coquillard later managed to get the county seat removed to South Bend.

They donated the land for the County Court House, the Jefferson School, (now the Administrative Offices), the Madison School, the City Cemetery.

The ferries, the bridges, the roads, the mill races and mills, the shops, and every line of trade or business had their united support.

Mr. Taylor lived to a good old age, dying August 29, 1892. He saw the little town he had helped to found, grow to be one of the busiest and most famous little cities of America.

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#### OSAII-LA-MO-NEE OR BLOOD ROOT.

Osah la mo'nee was a little Indian Princess. She was the daughter of Big Chief Little Turtle, of the Miamis. Osah la mo nee was the Indian name for blood root. Why do you suppose she had that name?

She was born in the spring time in an Indian village, quite a distance from here. She was a dainty little princess, of light complexion and with long black hair which she wore in two long braids down her back. She wore a most gorgeous band, embroidered in porcupine quills, around her forehead.

Her dress was made of buck skin, trimmed with brilliantly colored beads.

Her father was beloved by his people, and because of this great love for him, they brought her many beautiful gifts of bright beads, skins, moccasins, and trinkets of gold and silver.

One day an Indian came to their village who was skilled in the use of metals. With fire to soften the metal and with a crude hammer, he hammered out ornaments for the wrist, ankles, hair and ears. These the friendly Indians presented to the Princess, Osah la mo'nee.

A half-breed by the name of Turner came to see Little Turtle, the Chief. He noticed the little princess and cast many shy glances at her. But she was interested in her beads and many ornaments.

The half-breed Turner came again and this time he brought silver ornaments for the princess. She was older now and took more notice of him, and when he asked her to come with him, she accepted and placing her hand in his, she left the land of her father, and came to the land of the Pottawattomies, where they build their wigwam of birch bark.

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#### RUM VILLAGE.

An Indian chief named To Rum (called Rum, for short) ruled over a little village just south of our city. It has probably been called Rum's Village after him.

Rum Village is a rolling wooded land, with a small creek flowing through it. How the Indians must have enjoyed the singing birds and the beautiful flowers that are found there.

This land passed from the Indians direct to the Ewing family, of whom the city of South Bend purchased the land for a city park in 1916. It has been left in its natural state, and is one of the most beautiful parks owned by the city.

1812. It was Rum's Village to which Turner brought his Indian Princess, and they lived there in peace for many years.

Turner and his wife had dwelt in this beautiful woodland for fifteen years, when L. M. Taylor arrived in the village in 1827.

Having engaged in the fur trading business, he had many dealings with the Indians from Rum's Village.

Turner brought in many pelts to the trading post and often his Indian wife came with him. She became very much interested in the way the white people lived, and wanted to live more like them. So they decided to move into the town.

There were only a few white women in the village,—Mrs. Coquillard, Mrs. Stull, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Chapin among those best known. Osah la mo'nee noticed their ways of dressing and eating. Did she see many silver bracelets on the arms of these women? Were the bare ankles covered with silver anklets? Did

they wear long chains of beads and shells about the neck? Ah! no, indeed. When she lived among the Indians she was so proud of the great number of arm ornaments which she owned. However she decided to give them up and dress like her white neighbors.

Now she had never eaten with a knife or fork or spoon in all her life, but she had seen the white folks eating, and decided she must have some spoons.

One day she came into the trading post of L. M. Taylor, carrying all of her silver ornaments.

She had heard that Mr. Taylor expected to make a business trip to Detroit, and she asked him to take her pure silver ornaments and have them made into spoons. This he did, and Osah la mo'nee was the proud possessor of six silver teaspoons and six silver tablespoons, each engraved with a "T."

At the death of the old chief, Little Turtle, the tablespoons were given to Mr. Taylor and they are now owned by the descendants of the Taylor family. No one seems to know just what happened to the teaspoons.

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#### HENRY M. STULL.

1829.

#### A FIRST WILDERNESS HOME.

When Henry M. Stull first came to this part of the state, there were merely two trading posts, owned by Coquillard and Taylor, just a few houses, and no streets,—only Indian trails running through the woods, which thickly covered the ground where South Bend now stands.

The mother, father and five children were at first housed in an old deserted shanty, which had been used by whites and Indians as a sugar camp.

The father, having decided to locate here, made the long, tiresome trip to Fort Wayne, a government station, to buy land for a home.

The mother and children had many things to frighten them while the father was away. The savage Indians slinking down the trails and wild beasts, in search of food, kept the mother and children in constant fear. At one time the frail shanty was surrounded by wild boars, but a pack of Indian dogs attacked them and the fight was kept up for hours. Many times the beasts hurled them

selves against the side of the house, and the mother, fearing that the doors would be broken down, threw the children to the roof of the house to save them.

After ten days the father returned, having purchased several hundred acres of land for one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre.

They now set about to build a home. The material was standing all about them, and the father with his poor ax and hand saw, realized the huge task before him. He cut the trees down and sawed them into the right lengths for a one-room round-log house, sixteen by eighteen feet. Do you know what a round-log house is? The father had no tools to work with, so he had to use the log, just as it was cut down. The round logs were laid one on the other, with the bark left on them. Not a very beautiful house, was it? However, it was the best that could be had at that time, for this pioneer and his family.

The roof and floor were made of puncheon, or split logs. The door was made of the same, with wooden hinges, and strong wooden pins.

The chimney was made of sticks and mud.

Cooking and baking was done before the open fire-place. Corn bread was baked in iron ovens or kettles, also before the open fire.

Four more children came to the home and now a larger house was needed. So a house of hewed logs was built, with sawed boards for floors, ceiling and doors. It had three rooms and a sleeping loft, and was considered a very fine piece of architecture.

Later, a much finer home was built on South Michigan Road, planed boards, shingles and paint being used.

Here, surrounded by prosperity, peace and happiness, they lived for many years. Mr. Stull passed away, followed some years afterwards in 1879 by Mrs. Stull.

It was from this last home that Mary Stull, a daughter, became the wife of John Mohler Studebaker.

This home was later purchased by Joseph Eckman and is occupied by him and his family.

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#### HORATIO CHAPIN

Horatio Chapin, a native of Massachusetts was born in 1803.

In 1822, he decided to come west. He stayed in Detroit until 1831, at which time he decided to come to South Bend, then just a

settlement of a few hundred people. He rode an Indian pony and followed the trail all the way here.

He was our first drygoods merchant, having brought with him a stock of goods. He at once opened a general store on N. Michigan Street, near Water Street, now LaSalle Avenue. His business was a success from the beginning.

The first cargo of wheat that was ever shipped down the St. Joseph river on its way to Buffalo was sent by Mr. Chapin. Could you trace the water route that it travelled?

Mr. Chapin after many trials and disappointments started the first Sunday school and was its superintendent. It was started in the room over his store on Water Street. He also was one of the organizers of the Presbyterian Church in 1834. He has been called the "Pioneer of the Sunday School in St. Joseph county." Why?

Although the town was platted and made the county Seat in 1831, it was not incorporated as a town until 1835. Horatio Chapin was its first president. Does South Bend have a president now? What is the name of its chief officer?

In 1838, the South Bend branch of the State Bank of Indiana was established, and Mr. Chapin was selected as its manager and cashier.

In 1867, he helped to found the Historical Society.

He died in 1871.

Chapin Park, a residential district in the northwest part of the city was a part of the Chapin estate.

Chapin Street commemorates this pioneer.

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#### JUDGE THOMAS STANFIELD

If you go into the Circuit Court room at the Court house, be sure to look at the portrait that hangs at the front of the room. It is an excellent likeness of Judge Stanfield, painted by Gregori, the noted artist.

To Judge Stanfield we owe a great debt. He worked hard to get the railroads to come out to this new territory, thus bringing us into more direct communication with the outside world. No greater service could have been rendered for the people at that time.

Judge Stanfield was born in 1816 and came to South Bend in the spring of 1831. He was of Quaker descent. Before taking up law he was our first Assistant Postmaster. He studied law in the

office of Judge Sample and was later made judge of the Ninth Judicial Circuit of Indiana. With his horse and buggy, he travelled all over the eleven counties of his circuit, holding court. You see he was a circuit judge for sure.

Judge Stanfield was a member of the State Legislature at three different sessions.

He died September 12, 1885.

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#### ALMOND BUGBEE

Almond Bugbee, a native of Vermont, was an apprentice to a tanner, currier and shoemaker.

At the age of sixteen, he decided to come west and locate in Milwaukee. When he arrived in Niles, he heard so much about South Bend that he was curious to see the place.

He arrived in 1837 and soon set up a business of his own here and not only made boots and shoes, but operated a tannery.

He was against slavery and helped negroes to escape from their masters. His home was a station on the so-called "Underground Railway," that is, negroes could come to his home in the early morning, could hide all day, and when night came, he would direct them to another place of safety and on to freedom.

Mr. Bugbee was born January 3, 1815, and died in May, 1904.

Mr. Bugbee was identified with all the public enterprises which worked for the best interests and growth of South Bend.

In 1844, Mr. Bugbee was married to Miss Adelia Ann Crocker, the first lady principal of the first academy of South Bend.

Mr. Bugbee was a member of the first Board of Education.

A drinking fountain in Leeper Park, erected to the memory of Mr. Bugbee, is highly appreciated by the throngs of summer visitors.

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#### DANIEL GREENE

Mr. Daniel Greene was born in a log house on a farm in Ohio, in 1818.

At the age of fourteen, he came with his parents and thirteen brothers and sisters to this county, enduring many of the hardships of the early traveller.

When they arrived they found just a few log cabins and an Indian trading post among the mighty oak trees.

The Greene family followed the old Indian trail southwest out to Sumption Prairie and located there. This section of land was later named Greene Township.

They lived in and under the wagons until a hewed log house could be built. This house was eighteen feet wide by thirty feet long, with a fireplace at each end. This was considered the finest house in this section of the county.

Since the soil of the prairies was very rich and easily plowed, wheat was soon sown and other crops planted.

Daniel was the seventh son and there was always plenty of work in this large family.

He was married in 1849 to Miss Mary Leeper and continued to live in the old home, his mother and father having died some years before. Mr. Green's wife had come here in 1830 when only four months of age, with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Leeper, who were among our earliest pioneers.

In 1866, Mr. Greene was appointed deputy county treasurer and moved into South Bend. He was a stock holder in South Bend Chilled Plow Company and later was President of the South Bend Foundry Company.

He lived to see the little Indian trading post become one of the greatest commercial cities of the middle west.

His death occurred in this city in 1912.

## CHAPTER IV

### LOCATION AND TOPOGRAPHY

The original survey placed the Michigan State line two miles south of here. So you see we might have belonged to the State of Michigan.

Objections to belonging to Michigan broke out in Toledo and in 1816 Congress settled it by giving us a lake port and Toledo was given to Ohio. Get out your geographies and draw an imaginary line showing this first Michigan southern boundary.

The prosperity and growth of South Bend is due to its favorable location in a rich farming community; its unexcelled railroad facilities; and enterprise, thrift and activity of the men who have chosen it as their home.

There are many low hills around South Bend. St. Joseph Hospital is located on the highest point of land in the city.

The St. Joseph River adds to the beauties of nature, as it winds in and out. Its beautiful grass-grown, tree-covered banks afford many beautiful sites for homes.

The plain on which South Bend is located was once the bed of the Kankakee River.

South Bend used to be called Southold, but in 1830 was changed to South Bend.

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### SOIL

The soil of the surrounding country is very fertile. It is composed chiefly of sand and gravel, clay and loam, with some muck in the Kankakee bottoms.

Great ditches have been built through the Kankakee marsh land to drain it. These lands have made some of our richest and most productive farms.

Surrounding us are prairies, marshes, oak openings and rolling timber lands.

The oak openings are covered with a light sandy soil, suited to the raising of small fruits and vegetables.

The timber lands possess a sub-soil of clay, covered with a rich dark soil which yields all the cereals in abundance.

The prairies both old and young have the richest and most productive soils and are unexcelled for the raising of all farm produce except wheat, which winter kills on the lowest grounds.

The country supplies food, and raw material. Apples, grapes, pears and plums, also potatoes, cabbage, onions, sweet corn, turnips, radishes, and lettuce are grown for our markets.

A new industry is the cultivation of peppermint. The world's chief peppermint supply comes from the country surrounding our city.

The lowlands produce celery in abundance to supply our markets.

## CHAPTER V

### TRANSPORTATION

#### THE ST. JOSEPH RIVER AND OTHER HIGHWAYS AND BYWAYS

##### THE ST. JOSEPH RIVER

One of the most beautiful rivers in this country is our own St. Joseph river.

It rises in Michigan and flows in a south-westerly direction, down into Indiana, then bends towards the north again into Michigan and empties into Lake Michigan, where the city of St. Joseph is located.

A number of cities and small towns are located on its banks, among them being Elkhart, Mishawaka, South Bend, Bertrand, Berrien Springs, and St. Joseph at its mouth.

The Indians called our river Sawk-wauk-sil-buck. La Salle called it the River of the Miamis, but the missionaries named it the "St. Joseph of the Lakes." Of late years it has been shortened to St. Joseph.

Fish abound in the river. The Indians used to catch the sturgeon and pike by the boat-loads.

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##### NAVIGATION ON THE ST. JOSEPH RIVER

Long ago the Indians in their birch bark canoes, paddled up and down the river. Later when the fur-trading companies located here larger boats were needed to carry the pelts. This region furnished more pelts from the bear, raccoon, beaver, deer, buffalo, and other fur-bearing animals than any other part of the country.

The slow-moving river boat was at one time the principal means of carrying people and their goods to one point from another.

The St. Joseph river was not always as unsuitable for navigation as it is now. Many dams have been built across it for commercial purposes, thus destroying its use for larger boats, unless canals and locks be built.

In 1830, two men named Masters and Tipsorff made several trips

from the mouth of the river to South Bend with a keel-boat. This boat was propelled by poles. In 1831 the "Newburyport," a steam boat, tried to pull up the river, but it failed to reach South Bend.

In 1833 the "Matilda Barney" and "Davey Crockett," two boats built with stern-wheel propellers, commenced running and were very successful.

Many of our early settlers arrived on these river boats with all of their household goods.

Merchandise for the posts and stores were also received in this way.

On the down trips, these boats would carry grain, flour, hides, pork, furs, and pig iron.

## FERRIES

*1831.*

There were no bridges across the St. Joseph river at this early time.

The pioneers had settled on both sides of the river. As it was not convenient for every one to have his own boat, the County Commissioners authorized a ferry to be established in 1831. Mr. Nehemiah B. Griffith was required to pay a license fee of two dollars for the privilege of running the ferry. The place where La Salle Avenue now crosses the river was chosen as the most convenient location for it. You remember Mr. Coquillard had built his mill at this location.

In 1835 Mr. Coquillard was granted a license to establish a ferry where Colfax Avenue is now located. He had two boats.

If Mr. Brown from Lowell on the east side of the river wished to bring his grain to the mill of Mr. Coquillard he could drive his team right onto the flat boat and be ferried across the river. This would cost him thirty-one and one-fourth ( $31\frac{1}{4}$ ) cents for each wagon and two horses, and six and one-fourth ( $6\frac{1}{4}$ ) cents for each person.

If Mr. White wished to bring hogs or sheep over to the butcher's, he must pay two cents per head to the ferry man.

This became a very profitable business. Larger boats were demanded, more ferries were established and higher license fees were charged.

### CANALS

The need for canals and improved transportation was greater in Indiana than any other of the states of the Northwest territory because of the dense forests, swampy land and impassable streams.

In 1826, the contract was let for the building of the Wabash and Erie Canal, although work was not begun until 1832.

At the present time (1920), Congress is being urged to build a canal connecting the Great Lakes and the Gulf of Mexico, with branch routes leading through or near South Bend connecting lakes Michigan and Erie.

Money has been appropriated to cover the cost of a survey of a twelve-foot inland waterway through Ohio and Indiana. One of the questions on which the engineers must decide, is the constant supply of water to feed the canal.

This barge canal would place us in connection with eastern and middle west territory and the entire Mississippi valley.

Should the engineers decide on the route through Fort Wayne and South Bend to Michigan City, it will be necessary for the people within a zone of about twenty-five miles on each side of the canal to vote in favor of a special tax in order to secure the improvement.

Should this canal be built, it will relieve the congestion of the rail-ways and solve the transportation problems for the future.

### TRAILS

It is very difficult for us to realize all the hardships of transportation that the early pioneers suffered.

How did the Indians get from place to place? Do you remember that they built their own canoes and paddled up or down stream as they wished? Then in order to get from one waterway to another, they would find a good landing place, put their canoes upside down on their heads, and trudged over the hills or through the valleys and forests to their destination.

Often these paths or trails had been made by the buffalo, elk, bear, otter, wolf, fox, or other wild animals which roamed over this land where we now live.

These paths became fixed and permanent highways. These Indian trails never crossed hills which they could go around; they crept through the hollows, always avoiding the swampy places; they kept to the shadows of the big timber belts; and, when crossing an open prairie, traversed the least exposed and shortest route.

Among the many noted trails were the Portage trail, leading from Pinhook bend of the St. Joseph river to the head waters of the Kankakee, now called Portage avenue; The Dragoon trace, the trail followed by the fur traders in coming from the post of what is now Fort Wayne and the post located here. Lincoln Way East is a part of this trail.

Any one who has followed the road to Crumstown will recognize the winding trail, bending here and there to avoid obstructions of various kinds. This trail led toward the south and was used by the Indians coming from villages inhabited by other groups of the Miamis.

South Michigan Street, a part of the old Michigan road, marks the line of another old southern trail leading to the Pottawattomie villages at Twin Lakes and Lake Maxinkuckee.

Sumption Prairie road to the southwest and South Bend Avenue to the northeast, mark the locations of other trails.

#### THE MICHIGAN ROAD

Good roads were of great importance to the early settler.

In a treaty of 1826 the United States secured from the Pottawattomies the land for the construction of the Michigan road.

In March, 1827, surveyors set out to locate and make a road from Lake Michigan to the Ohio River. This road was to be one hundred feet wide throughout its entire course.

On account of the Kankakee marsh it was necessary to make an indirect route, thereby bringing the road from Michigan City to South Bend, and then on in a southerly direction to the Ohio River.

The road was planked and corduroyed in a number of sections where necessary. Do you know what a corduroy road is? If you have ever ridden over one, you surely never would forget it.

The swampy places in the road are filled in by placing round logs close together across the road. This kept horses and wagons of all kinds from sinking into the mire. Can you imagine the jolts you would receive as you drove across?

This road served as an outlet to the east by way of the Ohio river.

Many immigrants from the east flocked to the new land.

This road was completed through here in 1832 and through to the lake in 1834 and 1835.

### LINCOLN HIGHWAY

Lincoln Highway, a national road, passes through South Bend on its coast to coast route. It is named in honor of Abraham Lincoln.

It follows the south bank of the St. Joseph river from Mishawaka, passes through the heart of the business district and on in a westerly direction on La Salle Street and what is now Lincoln Way West (formerly Michigan Avenue). This road is marked with red, white and blue bars, surmounted by a large capital L painted on telegraph poles.

A memorial to Soldiers and Sailors of the World War will be placed on this national highway within the county limits.

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### BRIDGES

1847

The first bridge across the St. Joseph river was built at Washington Street on the west side and connecting with Market (now Colfax) on the east side, in 1847.

Soon another bridge was needed at Water street (now La Salle Avenue) and a wooden bridge with a roof over it was constructed. In 1865, a tornado swept over our city doing some damage to public buildings, and struck and damaged the roof at the east end of the bridge. The county commissioners decided to remove the entire roof instead of repairing the old one.

Next a plain wooden bridge was erected at Jefferson Street and later the Leeper bridge on N. Michigan Street.

Four miles north of the city at Sider's Mill another bridge was built. This was a great convenience to the residents on the opposite side of the river, who wished to bring their grain to the flouring mill. Before the bridge was built the ferry took the farmers across the river with their loads of grain to be ground.

These wooden bridges were all replaced later with iron ones.

1920

Today all bridges within the city limits are of concrete and steel construction, broad streets and sidewalks traversing them.

Recent investigations seem to indicate that the first bridge was built about 1837 by Mr. Coquillard at Marion Street. Many citizens remember the upright posts standing in the bed of the river long after the bridge was gone.

### THE FIRST RAILROAD TRAIN

Such a commotion as there was in town? Every able-bodied man, woman and child was out on the road, walking, riding or driving in the old family carriage. Can you guess the reason for all this excitement? It was Saturday, October 4, 1851.

The news had spread all over the country side that the first train was to arrive from the east over the Michigan Southern and Northern Indiana railroad. (This is now the Lake Shore Division of the New York Central Lines.)

As the train pulled into the station, located on West South Street, everybody cheered lustily—bonfires were lighted and forty-eight rounds from the town's old iron cannon were fired.

Had the boys and girls of today been there, they surely would have joined in the shouting and cheering at the sight that met their eyes as that first train came down the tracks. What a frightful looking thing it was as it came steaming down the iron tracks with such a great noise.

The engine was about the size of a modern tractor, the wheels not over forty-eight inches in diameter. Wood was used for fuel, the tender was piled high with large chunks and the fireman was kept very busy.

The smoke-stack was shaped like a balloon. The engine had a name. It was called the John Stryker. Can you guess where they got the idea of naming engines? Boats always had names, so as engines were built and came into use they too were given names. Do the engines of today have names?

The coaches were about the size of our large electric cars. There were three of them, each carrying about thirty-six people. The baggage car was very short.

Hand-brakes were used on these first trains.

South Bend was the end of the line at that time and the train started back to the east the next morning.

Later the line was extended to Chicago.

The coming of steam trains brought rapid changes to this new country.

Other railroads entering the city besides the New York Central, are:

Chicago, Indiana and Southern      Michigan Central branch.

Lake Erie and Western.                The Grand Trunk.

Pennsylvania Lines—Vandalia.

New Jersey, Indiana and Illinois, besides the Interurbans.

### STREET RAILWAYS AND INTERURBANS

In 1873 the South Bend Street Railway Company was incorporated, but it was not until 1880 that the common council granted the first franchise.

The company was allowed to lay the rails but not allowed to use any power, other than horses or mules to draw the street-cars. Wouldn't that be a queer sight today? And such queer little cars that were used!

In 1882, they attempted the use of the trolley system, the first attempt of its kind in the history of street railways. This proved a failure, as the cars would go only a part of a block, and then stop, on account of the failure of the electric power.

Later this defect was remedied, and cars now run by electricity on all our streets and between cities.

Power houses were erected to furnish power between the towns of Osceola, Elkhart, Goshen, Laporte, Michigan City, Niles, Berrien Springs and St. Joseph.

## CHAPTER VI

### TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE THE FIRST TELEGRAPH

In 1847, the Western Union Telegraph Company wanted to construct a line, connecting Buffalo and Milwaukee. In order to pass through South Bend, the citizens were asked to contribute \$2,000 and to the credit of our enterprising citizens of that early day the money was at once subscribed, but Chicago refused to give any help to this enterprise, and the promoters were forced to give up the project for a while. However in 1848, the line was completed, and South Bend was in easy communication with the east.

Mrs. J. B. Reynolds received the first message that was sent over the line. This message is preserved in the Historical Association rooms in the old Court House.

Before 1848, the only way we could hear anything of what was going on with the outside world, was such as the lumbering stage coach and slow-moving river boat could give us.

The quickest way to get the news was that which the well-mounted horse back rider provided.

Long intervals elapsed between the occurrence of important events in the eastern states and the first arrival of the news in this part of the country.

The telegraph changed all this and news was flashed across the country.

### TELEPHONE

In 1880, we had our first telephone exchange.

In 1889, the Central Union Company was authorized to raise its poles and wires for business.

In 1893, the Long Distance telephone company extended its lines through South Bend from New York to Chicago.

Telephone service is improving all the time. It is now possible to telephone to New York or California.

## CHAPTER VII

### THE GOLD SEEKERS AND THE RUSH TO CALIFORNIA

In 1848, gold was discovered in California. Glowing tales of the richness of the discovery were on every tongue.

The rush to the gold-fields was unequalled in history. Lawyers, merchants, engineers, farmers, blacksmiths, and doctors dropped their work and planned to leave immediately.

But how were they to get there? The Indians and our early pioneers had followed the trails and waterways. Between here and California there was no satisfactory road or water-way. Look at your map of the United States, and decide for yourself.

In 1849, one hundred eight men and women of our town and county decided to seek riches in the gold fields. South Bend was one of the first communities in the middle west to start an expedition to California. Some went across the plains and some by way of Panama.

There was great excitement in town and many friends turned out to see them start. They had two wagons, seven yoke of oxen, and two years' supply of food.

They left home in the spring. Road conditions were deplorable. Mud, slush and flood were passed through on the way.

Many wearied of the trip and returned home. As they reached the prairies the road conditions improved, but other troubles arose. The Indians resented their coming through these western lands and attacked them. Many streams had to be forded; often times the wagons would break down, and stops would have to be made for repairs.

After seven months of slow tedious travel, over hill, mountain, prairie and desert, they finally arrived in the land of California.

They were a happy, jolly party. Many an evening was whiled away around the camp-fire, singing songs and playing on the many musical instruments which they had brought with them.

All suffered privations and hardships beyond description. Only a few found gold in large enough quantities to be able to save it and bring it back to their home town.

Among those who made the trip either in 1849 or later were: David R. Leeper, Chauncey O. Fassett, Ethan S. Reynolds and J. M. Studebaker.

## CHAPTER VIII

### PIONEER STORIES

JOHNNY APPLESEED

JOHN CHAPMAN

Do you know why we have so many apples in this part of the country? Many years ago (1801) there was a young man, by the name of John Chapman, who thought it was a sin to kill anything in order to get food. He didn't want the settlers in this new country to eat the wild meat and fish found in forests and streams. He considered this a savage way of living.

He visited the cider presses of New York and Pennsylvania and filled his bags with the seeds that had been thrown away.

He wanted to do some good in the world, so with his pack on his back, he travelled westward to this new country through Ohio and into Indiana.

He was a queer looking man. He wore a coffee sack for a coat with holes cut in it for his head and arms. He sometimes wore a tin pan on his head, which served both for a hat and a stewpan. He went barefoot the most of the time, even in winter.

Except in very bad weather he always slept in the open forest. When necessary to sleep indoors, he preferred to lie on the floor in front of the fire place with his kit for a pillow.

In those days there were many Indians all over the country and they often met and walked with John. When they saw what he was doing with the apple cores, they thought he was silly.

They said, "Apple seed John will be dead many, many moons before those seeds will bear fruit." They did not know that it was for the people who lived after him, that old John planted the apple seeds.

The little seeds took root and tiny twigs appeared. How slowly they grew. But after many years, there stood in the woods and meadows many apple trees.

For forty years Johnny Appleseed travelled the forests and prairies of Ohio and Indiana, caring for his trees, teaching the farmers apple culture, and assisting them in planting and caring for orchards.

Old Simon Pokagon, an Indian chief, lived near here, and when he heard that Johnny Appleseed was on his way, he would drive out with his two-wheeled wagon, and his yoke of oxen and meet him. They always had a good visit, then the old chief would drive to the next village with him. He was always glad to ride with this friendly Indian.

He died in 1847, age seventy-two.

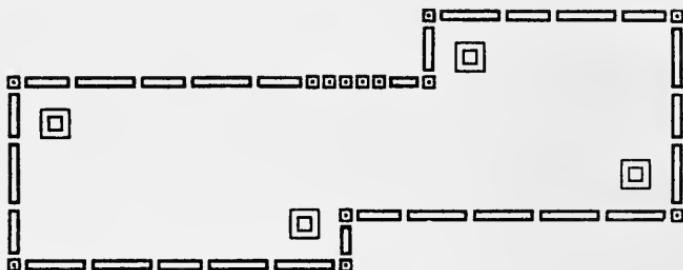
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#### THE BLACK HAWK RAID

In 1832, Black Hawk, a famous Indian chief, seeking revenge on the whites for taking the lands from his people, gathered his warriors about him, put on the war-paint and made the attack.

His plan was to creep stealthily up to the villages, kill the people, drive off the stock, and burn the property.

Our little settlement immediately became alarmed and plans were drawn for a fort to be built on the present site of the stand-pipe.



PLAN OF THE FORT

It was constructed of split longs, eight or ten feet long, set deep in the ground, and close together, so as to shield the people within, and keep back the hordes of Indians without.

L. M. Taylor was appointed colonel and placed in charge of the fort.

The inhabitants were in constant fear of the Indians. Many false alarms were spread as to the nearness of the foe.

Jean Beaudoin, a young Frenchman, travelled on foot one hundred and sixty miles to notify the villages of the approach of Black Hawk. Arriving in South Bend, he delivered his message and died from exhaustion.

Preparations were made to occupy the fort when word was received that the Indians had been stopped. Black Hawk never attempted another attack on the whites.

## THE SPELLING SCHOOL AT BERTRAND

Long, long time ago, when South Bend was just a small village it was quite the usual thing to have "spelling matches" to determine who was the best speller in the whole town.

Mary Ann Massey and Mary Ann Eaton, sat by the fireplace one spring day, busily sewing and discussing the great difficulty of a girl earning money in this little frontier settlement of South Bend in 1837. Money was very scarce, and woman's work was counted of small value.

"You have the advantage," said Mary Ann Massey, "for you are older than I and your mother is well. They all call me a little girl, and it takes much of my time to help mother for she is never strong. I have been more than two weeks, making two shirts for Louis, the wood-chopper, and I will receive only fifty cents when they are done, and I am furnishing the buttons and thread, too."

"Knitting socks at a shilling a pair, is slow too," said the other Mary Ann. "But then we must not worry. Next week is the spelling school at Bertrand, and such a gay time as we will have. Mary Ann Massey if you would just go and show those town smarties how to spell this would be the happiest spot in Indiana. If I were a whole spelling book like you are, nothing would keep me away."

"If I had a nice merino dress like yours, nothing would keep me away. My clothes do very well here, but not for a large town like Bertrand."

"How much money have you?"

"Almost three dollars."

"We will finish the shirts right now, and that will make fifty cents more. Then I will lend you the difference and we will get that pretty blue merino at Brownfields' store. We will make it nice and wide, and South Bend will spell down all the towns on the river."

How their needles flew that afternoon, and they soon finished the shirts. The next thing was to deliver them, so they started through the woods to find Louis, the woodchopper.

The path wound under the oaks and through ferns and wild flowers, past the place where the Grand Trunk depot now stands, then on up the incline called the bluff, through the yard of the present Lafayette school, then skirting eastward along the edge of a clear little pond, they found Louis working far out in the forest. (The Studebaker Administration building occupies the spot where the girls found Louis.) It was too far for girls to venture alone, but so

intent were they on their errand, that they did not realize the distance they had come.

With the money clasped close in her hand, Mary Ann skipped along, both girls talking eagerly about the new dress.

Suddenly old Wahtemah stepped from the shelter of a tree and blocked the path. When Wahtemah was sober, he was just a lazy, worthless Indian; when drunk, he was a cruel brute. He must have seen Mary Ann receive the money from Louis for he instantly demanded it. Frowning fiercely he thrust his huge red hand toward Mary Ann, muttering, "Give, give."

With a wonderful display of courage, she backed against a tree and refused to give up her hard earnings. "No, Wahtemah, you cannot have."

"Give," he cried, lifting his tomahawk.

"Give it to him, Mary Ann, give it to him," pleaded her companion.

"I will not let him have it! Never, never!"

Enraged and cursing he drew his arm up to strike, when a brown fist shot out from the bushes, and knocked him headlong.

"Well," said Louis, the wood-chopper, "I saw that skunk hanging around in the underbrush, so I thought I would follow you."

It is strange to record that the brave and invincible Mary Ann fainted as soon as the danger was over but that is just what she did, and Louis had to carry her home.

Mary Ann Eaton carried out their plans, bought the blue merino, and rallied all the settlement girls to the sewing bee. Matilda Busha, Peg Johnson, Mary Ellen Patterson, Elmina Phelps, Nancy Wade and Mrs. Massey were busy putting the finest of stitches into the new dress.

Mary Ann was not allowed to do anything. She lay on the turkey-red calico couch and studied the old blue spelling book. Many were the predictions as to her success—at the spelling school.

When the great day came, Mrs. Massey viewed her daughter, with mingled pleasure and anxiety. The new dress with its tight waist, skirt four yards wide, mutton-leg sleeves and white embroidered linen collar was the height of pioneer fashion. The color was most becoming to the delicate beauty of Mary Ann.

"Now, daughter, don't forget your spelling and don't let the boat sink, for you might drown."

"I'll try not to do either, mother, for getting my dress wet would be worse than drowning."

When the "Davy Crockett" tied up at the little wharf, there were so many passengers that it was impossible to take them all. Undaunted, some went down in row-boats, some took the narrow trail that wound along the bank. Each wanted to witness the downfall of proud Bertrand. Those who could not go, waved hands and shouted encouragement, until the little steamer passed out of sight.

Bertrand was a bustling town of a thousand inhabitants and this gala occasion had drawn together a large number of visitors from Niles, St. Joseph, Mishawaka, and all the surrounding country. They came in ox-carts, on foot, on horse-back, in canoes, in flat-boats and pirogues.

Mary Ann felt dazed, but no one paid any special attention to her, and she gradually overcame the disconcerting effect of such an unusual crowd of people.

The spelling took place in the largest room of the largest tavern: Captain Higbee was the leader on the one side and Mr. Yerrington on the other. Mr. Yerrington having heard from Mr. Coquillard of the spelling ability of Mary Ann, and being very desirous of pleasing that gentleman, promptly chose Mary Ann on his side.

The house, the yards, and adjoining streets were packed with interested listeners. The school-master from Niles pronounced the words.

There were many good spellers in those days, but gradually one after another was spelled down much to the disappointment of their friends, who had made many bets on their ability.

No one took our Mary Ann seriously, as she was only fourteen and small for her age. Upheld by the consciousness of her beautiful dress, she stood calmly smiling and spelled and spelled and spelled. *Phthisic, pneumonia* and *pterodactyl, ichthysaurus* and *idiosyncratical*, all rolled off her tongue as easily as e-a-t eat. On and on until the spelling book was exhausted, and the weary school-master took up a strange book, called a dictionary. Cries of "unfair" went round the room, and Mary Ann felt a queer sensation of dread for a moment, but the thought of her white embroidered collar and her gold pin steadied her nerves and she spelled on resolutely. At last she stood alone on the floor. She had won the spelling match.

So great was the joy of Antoine Lasseur, a French hunter, that he grabbed his coonskin cap, pushed his way through the crowd, and "striking the courier's lobe," ran all the way back to South Bend with the glad news. Do you know what is meant by "striking the courier's lobe"? In those days it was often necessary to send messages from one place to another and the foot-path was often

the shortest route. A runner who could keep up a steady gait all the way, was the best one to carry important messages. All hunters and woodsmen aimed to acquire this ability.

When the "Matilda Barney" steamed up the little wharf everybody was on the river bank to greet Mary Ann. Joyful laughter, ringing cheers, happy congratulations, met her and she fully deserved them, too. This was the first time that such great honors had come to South Bend. The champion speller of St. Joseph County was Mary Ann Massey.

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This is a true story told to Mrs. Emma B. Harris by Mary Ann Massey, herself.

## CHAPTER IX

### GROWTH OF THE PRESS

#### THE FIRST NEWSPAPER.

The first newspaper to be established in this town was the Northwestern Pioneer and Intelligencer in 1831. It was started by John D. and Joseph H. Defrees.

The printing press and print paper were brought overland from the east in an ox-cart.

This was the first paper published north of the Wabash river or west of Detroit.

News was scarce in those early days. The mail came by stage only once in two weeks. After a six months' struggle, the paper was sold and its name changed to the "St. Joseph Beacon." Why do you suppose they changed its name? Why did they think "Beacon" a better name? After eighteen months, the publication of the paper was discontinued.

In 1836, the "South Bend Free Press" appeared. This paper continued publication for nine years, when in 1845 Albert West and Schuyler Colfax bought the office and fixtures and changed the name to the "St. Joseph Valley Register."

For twenty years this paper was conducted under their able leadership.

The Register was always opposed to slavery, and many editorials were written to convince readers of the wrongs committed in the slave states.

In 1865, the paper was sold again. There were many changes in ownership from then until 1887, when the paper went out of existence.

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#### HONORABLE SCHUYLER COLFAX.

One of our most honored citizens and one who achieved national distinction was Schuyler Colfax, a former vice-president of the United States.

He was born in the state of New York in 1823. At the age of thirteen he came west and settled in New Carlisle, St. Joseph County.

He early developed a taste for politics and newspaper work. He worked as an errand boy in the office of the newspaper, which he later bought and edited. At the age of twenty-two (1845) he founded the St. Joseph Valley Register and became its editor.

At first local news was scarce, so the paper was published only once a week. In 1848, the telegraph brought more news from the outside world, but still there were not enough patrons to warrant a daily issue.

Mr. Colfax continued as editor and owner until 1865.

In 1855, he was elected to Congress, and re-elected for six consecutive terms. From 1863-1869, he was the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

In 1869, he was elected as vice-president on the ticket with U. S. Grant.

He was beloved by the citizens of South Bend and all who knew him best.

He was an eloquent orator and wise statesman.

His name will be honored for many generations as one who stood as the highest type of American citizen.

He died in 1885.

The name Market Street was changed to Colfax Avenue.

Colfax school is named for this worthy citizen.

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#### THE SOUTH BEND TRIBUNE.

In 1872, Alfred B. Miller and Elmer Crockett founded the South Bend Tribune. These men had worked on the St. Joseph Valley Register, so their experience helped them in starting the new paper.

November 4, 1887, the Tribune Printing Company, publisher of the South Bend Tribune, bought the name and equipment of the St. Joseph Valley Register.

The Tribune was a success from the start. It was then and still is an independent Republican newspaper.

The Tribune was the first newspaper in this part of Indiana to be printed on a rotary stereotype press. The linotype and intertype machines are also used for setting type.

A modern press will print, fold and count the papers at the rate of 36,000 per hour.

1920—This Company is building a modern fireproof newspaper building of three stories at the corner of Lafayette Boulevard and Colfax Avenue. This office will be equipped with a modern high-speed Goss press, forty feet long, nine feet wide and nine feet high. This great press will print newspapers from two to sixteen pages at the rate of 72,000 copies per hour.

The Tribune also operates type-casting machines which cast individual type and rule.

#### TO THE TEACHER.

Some technical information about the printing of newspapers.

Modern typesetting machines have revolutionized our newspaper offices of to-day.

Formerly, each letter was picked up separately and placed in a stick, made to hold the type.

The linotype machine gets its name because it casts a line of type in one single slug.

An operator sits in front of a keyboard, each key being a letter and operated similar to the typewriter.

As the operator presses down on the keys he causes the mechanism of the linotype to form the letters out of molten metal, a whole line at a time and drops the line into place in a form, or stick as the printer calls it, which is made to hold these lines.

After a great many lines are done, they print a proof, to see if the spelling is correct. It is quite necessary that the printer be a good speller.

If the proof-reader finds a mistake, then the whole line must be re-cast.

After the whole page of news, illustrations, and advertising matter has been made up, (each page being made up on a separate table) it is then taken to the stereotyping department. Here a papier-mache mold is made of the pages. It is then placed in a curved casting machine. Metal in liquid form is then poured into the mold. After being cooled and trimmed, it is ready for the rotary printing press.

The paper passes between rollers, ink being supplied for the plates and the printed page is the result.

The paper comes in large rolls, about 800 to 1,000 lbs. to a roll. Each roll will print 6,000 eight-page papers.

Large presses have three or four large rolls running at the same time and produce a 24 or 48 page newspaper.

All the hardened metal that is used in the makeup of the paper is put back into a pot and re-melted for the next day's use.

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#### SOUTH BEND NEWS-TIMES.

In 1853, the St. Joseph County Forum began publication. This was the paper of the Democratic party. It was edited by A. E. Drapier and Son. It did not succeed and was discontinued in 1863.

After the war, it was purchased by Edward Malloy, and its name was changed to "South Bend Weekly Union." In 1874, its name became the "Herald." In 1881, the name was again changed, this time its name being the "South Bend Times." You see, each new owner wished to give what he thought would be a better name for the paper.

In 1883, Mr. J. B. Stoll became the chief owner and editor. The democrats of the county were well satisfied with the conduct of the paper under Mr. Stoll's able leadership.

In 1911, the Sunday Morning News, with C. A. Fassett as editor, was consolidated with the Times Printing Company and the name became "South Bend News-Times." It still retains this name.

This printing office is equipped with modern typesetting machines and printing presses, such as are now used by all up-to-date newspapers.

## CHAPTER X

### SOUTH BEND IN TIME OF WAR

To the Teacher:—Bring out the most interesting details in this Chapter.

#### SOUTH BEND'S WAR RECORD.

##### IN THE CIVIL WAR.

The years 1861-1865, American loyalty received a severe test. Hundreds of South Bend's citizens gave up their lives on southern battlefields and many received great honors in the struggle.

President Lincoln's first call for volunteers was for three months' service. He felt sure that the rebellion could be put down in a short time.

Our first company was organized in 1861, with Andrew Anderson as captain, and the regiment, of which this was a part, was the first to leave the state. Ten or more companies were recruited from this city.

1866—As an expression of appreciation of their services to their flag and country, a picnic and reception was given the returned soldiers in Coquillard Grove, on the Edwardsburg Road, northeast of the city.

These veterans who went forth to fight for the Union are organized into two posts of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Auten Post and Norman G. Eddy Post. John Auten was the first South Bend boy to give his life in the Civil War. Norman G. Eddy was Colonel in command of the Forty-eighth Indiana regiment.

The lasting patriotism of these men is demonstrated on all public occasions, and particularly on Memorial Day, when beautiful and patriotic ceremonies are conducted at the city cemetery in which they take a prominent part.

Every boy and girl has an opportunity to show his appreciation of these heroes on Memorial Day and should not fail to do so.

## SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR.

1898.

When Spain mistreated little Cuba so mercilessly and refused to stop, our people were very sympathetic toward Cuba and indignant toward Spain. When our battleship, the Maine, was blown up, and we believed that Spain had done it, our people could no longer be restrained. They clamored for a war; a war that would demonstrate our pity for Cuba and revenge for ourselves. And in due time war was declared.

Hundreds of South Bend's boys responded to the call of President McKinley to protect the rights of American ships and citizens.

Our local company of the State Militia was the nucleus of a regiment which left South Bend, with George E. Studebaker as Colonel. This regiment was encamped in Florida, ready to sail at a moment's notice, but before the opportunity arrived, peace was declared.

The troops were demobilized and like true Americans returned to their homes and went on about their various businesses. Each enlisted man had demonstrated his loyalty to his flag and his country, and his country had performed a great and unselfish service for humanity.

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## THE WORLD WAR.

1914.

When Germany marched her soldiers across Belgium on her way to Paris, the whole world was disturbed over the violation of Belgium's rights.

The patriotism of many of South Bend's boys was aroused and a number enlisted for service with Canadian and French regiments.

1917

In April, 1917, President Wilson issued his call for volunteers, and South Bend responded with her full share.

Never before was the patriotism of our people put to such a severe test as in this war. Never before had such cruel methods of warfare or such devilish machines been used,—the gigantic cannons, undersea boats, explosive mines, tanks, and other deadly apparatus held life as nothing. Then too, there was the danger of crossing the Atlantic Ocean, and fighting in foreign lands.

Our country had over two and a half million men over there

to finish the job. South Bend was well represented; in fact, a South Bend man, Alex Arch, fired the first American shot.

Many, alas, never came back, having fallen on the battlefields of France, at the Marne, the Argonne Forest, or elsewhere. Many also died of disease in hospitals at home and "over there."

In this greatest of wars, our country, our own United States, did its best. South Bend did its best. Our people responded patriotically to every call made upon them. Men, women and children gave gladly their services and their money. This spirit undoubtedly saved the world from an awful calamity.

Best of all, our nation came out of the war with a perfect record for honesty and uprightness. What an honor to be an American.

## CHAPTER XI

### SOUTH BEND'S WATER SUPPLY

#### IN THE EARLY DAYS

Years ago, every family had a deep-driven well in the yard for drinking purposes, also a cistern of rainwater for household use.

If a house caught on fire, every man in the village turned out to help put out the fire. They formed what was called a "bucket brigade;" this was done by having one man at the pump, filling the buckets and passing them along a line of men (and often times women were called on to help) till the bucket reached the man on the ladder or on the roof.

Often times the fires did a great deal of damage before help was received.

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#### GROWTH OF THE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

In 1855, the Volunteer Fire Department was organized. They had a hand engine as their only equipment.

The fire department was the pride of the town, and on all holidays the men appeared in natty uniforms, their machines decorated with flowers, banners, and ribbons.

Edmond Pitts Taylor, brother of Lathrop M. Taylor, was the first fire foreman, the members of the company were merchants, manufacturers, and mechanics of the town.

In 1868, a steam fire-engine was purchased.

In 1873, the Volunteer Fire Department was re-organized with Capt. Edwin Nicar as chief engineer. This department finally grew to seven companies with Isaac Hutchins as chief.

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#### THE RAISING OF THE STANDPIPE

1873

About this time, it was decided that a pressure system of water-supply was needed in South Bend.

There were a great many arguments for and against the standpipe, the Holly and the Reservoir system. It was finally decided to install the standpipe system and the contract was let to Mr. Alexander Staples.

The raising of the standpipe was a wonderful engineering feat. It was reported in the cities all over this country and Europe.

The two hundred feet of the pipe were placed in position at one time, all the sections having been fastened together and made water tight while lying on the ground. This was fastened onto a base casting, weighing seven and one-half tons.

It was impossible to buy pulleys large enough to serve the purpose of placing the pipe in position, so Mr. Staples set to work and made them himself.

They began the raising of the pipe November 15, 1873 and by Christmas Day the work was completed, and the river water turned in and made ready for the power test.

The brick walls surrounding the pipe were built the following year.

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#### THE STORY OF THE BOB-TAILED Cow

1873

Mr. J. M. Studebaker and Mr. Leighton Pine, two of our young business men of the olden time had many a heated argument over the value of the two pressure systems.

It was one of these heated arguments which resulted in the story of the bob-tailed cow.

Mr. Pine, "I tell you, the standpipe system is the only one that will give us water pressure."

Mr. Studebaker, "Pressure, indeed! Why, I'll bet you can't get pressure enough to drive me from the tower of my building."

Mr. P., "I'll take the bet. What will you bet?"

Mr. S., "Why, I'll bet you a cow."

When the day arrived to test the pressure, the whole town turned out to see the test.

It was a beautiful Christmas Day, so warm that the men folks sat out in the yard without their coats. And it is said that one of our prominent ladies of the town went down the street carrying a parasol.

Mr. Studebaker took his place in the tower. Mr. Edwin Nicar, John C. Knoblock and Caleb Kimball were chosen as judges to decide the test. Schuyler Colfax also stood in the tower with Mr. Studebaker.

The fire department appeared down the street and attaching the hose to the hydrant, quickly turned it on the tower.

Mr. Studebaker realized the full force of the water and quickly descended amidst the cheers and laughter of the crowd.

Mr. Studebaker presented the cow to Mr. Pine as payment of the wager.

Mr. Pine decided to sell the cow at public auction and give the money to the poor. Mr. John Hartman, who had a wonderful voice, was called upon to be the auctioneer.

The cow was sold several times, each time the money being turned over to charity. Three hundred dollars were realized on the sale of the cow.

The cow was elaborately decorated with ribbons from head to tail and hereby hangs the most amusing part of my story.

As the last buyer was leading the cow away, Mr. Bleem, a butcher, rushed after it with a huge knife and cut off its tail.

The crowd became indignant and chased the butcher down the street. He dropped the tail and it was quickly picked up by the crowd.

They then discovered that the cow was a bob-tailed animal and the tail had been fastened on for a joke.

The crowd's anger gave place to laughter. The tail was then put up at auction and after being sold several times, they found that it had brought in forty-five dollars for charity.

In justice to Mr. Studebaker and his belief in the Holly system of water pressure, it is interesting to note that he lived to see the day when the standpipe was replaced by the reservoir holding six million gallons of water. This reservoir is located just east of the North Pumping Station on North Michigan Street.

It is fed from one hundred deep driven wells of pure sparkling water. (1920). The standpipe continues to furnish a part of the water pressure of the city.

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#### SOUTH BEND'S FIRE DEPARTMENT

1920

South Bend's present Fire Department consists of nine companies and a central station, equipped with a chemical, two trucks, (one service and one aerial) also the hose and pumper. Can you tell the various uses of this equipment?

The horse drawn fire apparatus has rapidly been replaced by motor driven vehicles.

The chief and all members of the department are now paid for their services.

The department has a Fireman's Pension Fund.

## CHAPTER XII

### HISTORY OF THE FORMS OF GOVERNMENT OF SOUTH BEND

Lathrop Minor Taylor and Alexis Coquillard purchased from the government the land upon which they laid out the new town at the south bend of the river, and by their united efforts, they had succeeded in causing the removal of the county seat to the town thus established.

For several years the sessions of the circuit court, the board of justices and the board of commissioners were held at the home of Alexis Coquillard.

In 1835, the county commissioners called a meeting for the purpose of electing town trustees. This was the first step toward the incorporation of the town. The trustees were elected and Horatio Chapin was chosen as the first president of the board.

There was not much business to transact and the trustees did not have many meetings. New elections were neglected so that in 1844, it was thought best to apply to the legislature for a special charter.

With the panic of 1837 over, the Michigan road bringing new people to our town and the boats of the St. Joseph bringing here the commerce of the lakes, the need for a regular form of government was realized.

The charter was granted, and town trustees elected. John Brownfield was chosen as the president.

Town trustees with a president as the chief officer continued until 1865, when South Bend was incorporated as a city. William G. George was the first mayor.

The city was divided into three wards at first. With the addition of territory on all sides of the city, it has been necessary to change the number from time to time, until at present South Bend is divided into seven wards. Each ward is represented in the City Council by one representative, and we have three additional councilmen elected by the city at large.

The city has continued to grow in business, in civic development and in population. In 1831 the population was 128; in 1840 it had

increased to 728; in 1860, 3,833; in 1900, 35,999. The population for 1920 is close to 75,000.

In 1901, by an act of the legislature South Bend was given a special charter. The chief purpose was to separate the powers of government into three departments—legislative, administrative and judicial. This form of government is more modern and fits the needs of a growing city.

The legislative, or law-making department was the common council; the administrative powers were confided to the mayor and several officers and boards to be appointed by him; the judicial department was placed in a court, presided over by a city judge.

A Municipal Code or uniform code of laws was enacted in 1905. Under this code cities were classified according to population, and the laws made, conform with the population. South Bend is a city of the third class.

## CHAPTER XIII

### SOME OF THE INDUSTRIES OF SOUTH BEND AND MEN WHO MADE THEM

#### INTRODUCTION TO INDUSTRIES

South Bend is strictly speaking a manufacturing city. It is quite impossible to give an account of every industry. Each year some new industry is organized and almost every variety of manufactured article is produced here either on a large or small scale.

We have tried to give you a few of the larger typical ones.

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#### THE STUDEBAKER CORPORATION

The Studebaker family is of Dutch origin, having arrived in this country from Holland in 1736. The members decided to make their homes in Pennsylvania.

Here they lived and raised their families. The third generation after these first arrivals are the ones in which we are interested. These were the sons of John and Rebecca Studebaker.

There were many wagon-makers and blacksmiths in each generation of the Studebaker family.

In 1835 John Studebaker decided to come west and grow up with the country. They made the trip overland in three wagons, one of them being a Conestoga pattern drawn by four horses.

This was a very difficult way of travelling. There were few roads, and they were usually deep with mud, winding through the wilderness of forest and prairie. In some places there were mere Indian trails, and they had to get out and chop down the trees, so that the covered wagons could pass.

There were few bridges, so many streams had to be forded.

There was also danger of attacks by wolves; drink-crazed Indians also added to the perils and sufferings of the travellers but they finally arrived and settled at Ashland, Ohio.

They had to work very hard to make a living, as there were ten

children to be fed and clothed. The mother had to spin, and weave the cloth to make the clothes for the family.

In 1850 Henry and Clem decided to start out in business. They came to South Bend, again enduring many of the hardships of the pioneer traveller. Clem taught school and also worked at blacksmithing at fifty cents a day. They soon had saved sixty-eight dollars and enough more to buy two forges. So in 1852 they started in business, blacksmithing and wagon-making. They had a hard time making a success, but finally their brother John returned from California, with \$8,000 in gold nuggets which he had earned. He bought out his brother Henry, who preferred to live on a farm. Later another brother, Peter E. came from Goshen to become a member of the firm.

During the Civil War, the government had need of many wagons, and the Studebaker Bros. turned out the best of its kind for the government. This won for them a reputation that assured the future prosperity of the firm.

Being the world's largest producers of horse-drawn vehicles, it was natural for them to become interested in the horseless carriages, as automobiles were at first called.

In 1902 they built and sold twenty electric run-abouts and trucks. In 1904 they began building gasoline automobiles and trucks.

The business increased so rapidly that now it is one of the largest in the world.

At the outbreak of the World War in August, 1914, the English Government placed an order for three thousand transport wagons, twenty thousand sets of harness and sixty thousand saddles. This was probably the largest single order ever placed.

The contract called for delivery in twenty weeks, and it was actually completed in sixteen weeks. Orders followed for ambulances, drinking wagons, spare parts, and repeat orders on harness and saddles. Orders were also received from the French and Russian governments.

When the United States entered the war, the Studebaker Corporation placed its plants at the disposal of President Wilson. They reduced the manufacture of passenger cars in order to serve the government in the largest possible way.

All of the founders of this great manufacturing establishment have passed away. The business continues to grow under the able leadership of the officers of the corporation.

The Studebaker Corporation built and equipped the Young

Men's Christian Association building and presented it to the city.

A set of slides, furnished by the Studebaker Corporation for the use of the schools may be borrowed from the Superintendent's office.

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### JAMES OLIVER

#### OLIVER CHILLED PLOW WORKS

In every country where the soil is turned the word "Oliver" is known and the Oliver plow is sold and used.

The Oliver Chilled Plow Works is the largest plow factory in the world, turning out annually between 500,000 and 1,000,000 implements.

Mr. James Oliver, the founder, was born in Scotland, on August 28th, 1823. He came to America at the early age of twelve years. A year later he located in Mishawaka, Indiana, then a thriving little town, made so by the discovery of bog-iron in the vicinity. After one year's schooling Mr. Oliver was obliged to stop and go to work to support his mother. His earnings averaged about six dollars per month, five dollars of which were given to his mother.

At seventeen he began an active business career. He undertook a contract to dig a trench for laying pump logs to carry water from a brook through Vistula Avenue to the race. He next worked in a cooper shop where they turned out eleven barrels a day. While at work in this shop he got his own timber and shaved his own staves.

At the age of twenty-one, he obtained employment at the St. Joseph Iron Works at Mishawaka, where he thoroughly learned the foundry business. This foundry was not entirely to Mr. Oliver's liking. For this reason he decided to seek employment elsewhere. He decided to go to Goshen. To go there he walked to South Bend to take the train. While waiting at the station he met a Mr. Lamb who was interested in a small foundry business. Mr. Lamb proposed to Mr. Oliver that he go in business with him. After considering the question Mr. Oliver decided to purchase an interest in the business. This was Mr. Oliver's first business venture in South Bend and from that humble beginning the great establishment of the present day has grown. It was located on the site of the Oliver Water Power Plant on Mill Street.

In a few years Mr. Oliver bought the entire stock and soon after was given the contract for supplying the iron columns, sills and caps for the St. Joseph Hotel, which was located where the Oliver Hotel now stands.

The invention of chilled metal marked the turning point in the Oliver fortunes. Do you know what chilled iron is?

Chilled iron is a very hard metal which withstands better than any other metal the scratching of sand and other hard substances in the soil. The moulders pour the melted iron into moulds comprised of a hollow metal retainer on the underside and sand on the top. The space between the top, or cope, and the under part, or the chill, is hollow and the shape of the mouldboard, or other part to be made. Steam or hot water is turned into the hollow retainers so as to warm them thoroughly before the molten iron is poured. The iron being much hotter than the chill changes the form of crystallization of the metal so that the iron crystallizes crosswise of the length of the board.

(See samples of chilled iron.)

There were many difficulties encountered in making a board of this character. Mr. Oliver worked for twelve years before he succeeded in making a plow that was satisfactory to him. This patient, untiring energy on the part of Mr. Oliver was ridiculed by his friends and a man with less determination of purpose would have given up, but Mr. Oliver stuck to his work. His life is a wonderful example for any boy who is easily discouraged.

At the time Mr. Oliver began his work on the chilled plow there had been no satisfactory way for farmers, who have gritty soils, to satisfactorily plow them. Much of the wealth that has come to farmers with these types of soils can be credited primarily to Mr. Oliver's patient work. A farmer must be sure that he has the right kind of plow for the soil. Big things always start from little beginnings.

Even after Mr. Oliver had succeeded in making a successful plow, he was obliged to peddle his goods from house to house in an ordinary farm wagon drawn by horses. At the start he had great difficulty in getting farmers to purchase his plows, but after farmers once saw the great value of his plow Mr. Oliver's future was certain.

Many a man would have given up in despair, even after he had made a success of the invention when he found it was going to be hard to introduce the article. The same indomitable will that characterized his long endeavor kept him from giving up when he saw it would be difficult to induce farmers to use his plow.

This formative period of the Oliver Chilled Plow Works is a bright and shining example of what young man can do if he sets about doing something useful and making a success of it. That old adage, "nothing worth while comes easy" is vividly illustrated in the early history of this great Plow Works.

Mr. James Oliver died March 2, 1908, leaving the plow business under the efficient management of his son, J. D. Oliver, and family.

It has always been the policy of the Oliver Chilled Plow Works to spend its efforts in improving its implements to lessen farm labor and make farms more productive.

The Oliver Chilled Plow Works has grown to such proportions that the plant occupies over a hundred acres and is equipped with the most modern machinery for building farm implements that inventive genius can devise. It takes but a few moments to bend a plow beam. Were it not for these conveniences of manufacture farmers would be obliged to pay many times the price that they now pay for their plows.

The plow is the first implement used in preparing the ground for growing plants. It is the foundation upon which the crop depends. It bears the same relation to the growing of plants that the foundation does to a house. Unless the foundation is well laid the most beautiful house settles out of shape.

The value of a manufacturing establishment that makes such necessary tools as plows is seldom measured in its true worth by any class of people except those who use them. The city of South Bend has become world famed through the distribution of Oliver Chilled plows.

For this reason whenever a resident of South Bend goes any place in the world his town is immediately known by the reputation acquired on account of the necessary implements of agriculture made by the Oliver Chilled Plow Works. The sun never sets on Oliver Chilled Plows or the name of the city where they are made.

This plant gives permanent employment to several thousand men and when the new plant now being built is ready for occupancy many more men will be needed.

This is a bright outlook for the young men, particularly the growing boys of South Bend because it will give them an opportunity to find employment without leaving their home town.

Mr. Joseph D. Oliver, the President, states that the Oliver plant needs particularly men and boys who have sufficient schooling to make them think and act for themselves in the various operations of building and distributing of the Oliver product. This is an incentive for every boy in South Bend to strive for all the learning he can possibly secure while he is in the public schools.

Oliver Hotel and Opera House are memorials to the name of Oliver. Oliver School is located on land originally a part of the Oliver farm.

## AVAILABLE FOR USE OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

1. A set of slides showing the operations of the manufacture of the Oliver plow.
  2. Moving picture film showing the plow turning the soil—(relating to the saving of moisture).
  3. Slides showing seed bed preparation.
  4. Samples of chilled metal.
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## BIRDSELL MANUFACTURING COMPANY.

The Birdsell Clover Huller was invented and perfected by John Comly Birdsell, Sr., while he was engaged in farming in the state of New York.

New York is a great clover country, and Mr. Birdsell saw the waste of seed when threshed by the old method. This set him to thinking and the invention in 1855 of the clover huller was the result.

In 1864, he came to South Bend, and began their manufacture. With the assistance of his sons, (Joseph B., Byron A., Varnum O., and John C.) the industry has grown and developed into an international business.

The clover huller is used in every civilized country in the world.

In 1884, the company began the manufacture of farm wagons with almost the same success as with the clover huller.

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## THE SINGER MANUFACTURING COMPANY.

In 1868 the Singer Sewing Machine Co. of New Jersey, through their representative, Mr. Leighton Pine, established a branch of its plant in South Bend.

This place was chosen as a suitable location on account of the vast amount of hardwood, such as oak, walnut and maple in the vicinity and which were used in making the cabinet work.

With the assistance of the Hon. William Miller, land on the east side of the river was purchased by the Company for a factory site. It was necessary to offer a number of inducements to get the factory located in South Bend, as Mishawaka was anxious to have the plant located at that point.

This factory, which was established at first for the sole purpose of making the cabinets for the machines, soon outgrew its quarters.

The Company was, therefore, compelled to secure another place to build a larger factory. This matter was attended to in due time, a tract of land being purchased at Olive and Division Streets in the west end of the city, and in 1902 the present extensive buildings were completed in which to produce cabinet work to meet the greatly increased demand.

In the new factory a large foundry, japanning and machining departments were added for making the castings for the stands used on family machines, also castings for the stands used in factories for power driven sewing machines.

In these works are constructed all the cases and elaborate cabinet work of over three-fourths of all the sewing machines in the world. The daily output is, consequently, the largest of any manufacturing establishment of its kind.

Over one-half of this cabinet work is packed in boxes in the *unfinished* state and shipped to the Singer Co.'s European factories, the principal one being in Scotland, where the final staining and varnishing operations are completed. There are about 15,000 workers in the Scotland plant.

Part of the *finished* cabinets are shipped to the factory in New Jersey, where the sewing machines are mounted and crated; and in turn sewing machines from the factory in New Jersey are shipped to South Bend, where they are assembled to cabinet work and stands and crated for shipment throughout the United States, also carefully packed in boxes for shipment to China, Japan and the Philippine Islands.

Interesting facts in connection with the Singer Co. and the South Bend plant are given below:

Number of employees—about 3,000.

Total ground space—76 acres.

Total floor area of buildings—1,350,000 sq. ft.

Total length of buildings, if they were placed end to end—8,040 ft. (over 1½ miles).

Total length of floors, if they were placed end to end—19,620 ft. (over 3½ miles).

Railroad track inside of grounds—5 miles.

Power plant—Two 4,000 horsepower Turbine Electric Generators; one 400 horsepower Turbine Electric Generator; one 100 horsepower Turbine Electric Generator; six 250 horsepower Boilers.

There are 27 kilns for drying lumber, having a total capacity of about 2,000,000 ft. of lumber at one time.

750,000 ft. of the finest hardwood lumber is used each week in making cabinet work.

Present yearly output, over 2,000,000 sets of cabinets.

There are over 600 varieties of sewing machines made by the Singer Co., sewing everything from the finest art embroidery to sail cloth and harness.

The products of the Singer Sewing Machine Co. are known and distributed not only throughout every civilized nation of the world, but also the Land of the Midnight Sun, the jungles of India, the islands of the seas, the deserts of Africa, and the ancient land of the Egyptians.

Samples of seven varieties of woods, (in finished and unfinished condition) used in the manufacture of Singer Sewing Machines may be drawn from the Supt.'s office. These have been furnished by the Company.

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#### O'BRIEN VARNISH COMPANY.

The O'Brien Varnish Company was established in 1878. Mr. Patrick O'Brien was the sole owner. Later, his sons, Mr. W. D. O'Brien and Mr. George O'Brien were taken into partnership and are continuing the very successful business.

Varnishes, oils, enamels, stains, flat-wall finishing and all materials for paints are made and shipped to all parts of the United States.

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#### THE SOUTH BEND TOY FACTORY

The South Bend Toy Factory was established in 1874, with John W. Teel as President, and Frederick I. Badet, Secretary and Treasurer. Mr. Badet later bought Mr. Teel's share and holds a controlling interest.

At that time, croquet was a very fashionable game, and the only game that could be played by respectable women and girls. Tennis and golf were not considered proper for women and girls at that time.

Croquet balls and mallets were the chief article of manufacture in the early days of this company. Later, children's wagons were manufactured, followed by baseball bats, wheel-barrows, go-carts, game-boards, little chairs and rocking horses.

A band saw is used to cut the boards into all kinds of shapes for use in the various toys. Several boards are clamped together, the pattern being drawn on the top board. A man guides the saw around the pattern of a chair bottom, horse or whatever is being shaped.

After the chairs are made up, they are given their first coat of paint. How do you suppose this is done? The chairs are let down by a pulley into a great vat of paint. When they are completely covered with paint, they are drawn out of the vat, and placed on a rack to drain and dry.

Rocking-horses, after their first coat of paint has dried, are run through large printing presses, which print the saddles, and bridles on them.

Everything that is made at this factory is very interesting to boys and girls.

Styles in toys and games change like the styles in other things; and the Toy Factory aims to keep up to date.

These works are widely known in the commercial and manufacturing world and the trade of the company extends throughout the United States and Europe.

This is the largest Toy Factory of its kind in the world.

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#### THE SOUTH BEND WATCH COMPANY

One of our newer industries is the making of watches.

The Watch Company was organized in 1903 by a group of South Bend men. Clement Studebaker, Jr., was its first president and up to the present time (1920) is still serving in that capacity.

This was the first watch factory ever started in Indiana.

The South Bend watch is known wherever watches are sold as "The Watch with the Purple Ribbon," and the name "South Bend" on the purple ribbon is stretched across the dial. This helps to advertize South Bend to the outside world.

This company manufactures three styles of watches. The railroad watch is recognized as standard on every railroad system.

During the World War, the United States government purchased many South Bend watches for use as comparing watches on board its ships.

The company has a large modern factory and offices on Mishawaka Avenue. The buildings are noted for their airiness, pleasant surroundings and generally ideal conditions for workers.

At the present time more than six hundred and fifty (650) people are employed.

Each year the manufacture and sale of the watches has increased.

Every watch sold helps to make the city of South Bend, for which each watch is named, better known all over the world.

## CHAPTER XIV

### EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

#### GROWTH OF THE SCHOOLS

The first school in South Bend was built on the northeast corner of Washington and William Streets, on the site of the present High School. It was called the County Seminary.

The land was purchased from Alexis Coquillard in 1841, for one hundred fifty-eight dollars (\$158.00). Could you buy it for that sum now?

In 1845, the newspaper described the building as being situated "west of town." Why did they say that? This first school contained two rooms, one above and one below. This same paper stated that it was large enough to "hold all the children for many years to come."

The first principal was Mr. Wheeler, a graduate of Indiana University.

In 1851, the state decided to abandon the county seminaries. They ordered the property sold and the proceeds turned over to the public school fund.

In 1853, the seminary was turned over to the Board of Town Trustees, composed of Dwight Deming, Almond Bugbee, and Charles A. Evans.

After this date the name seminary was not used but instead the name High School took its place.

1870 the school had increased in numbers to such an extent that it was necessary to begin planning for a larger building.

In 1872 the old seminary was torn down, and a new school built, which was finished in 1873.

Soon the need for a building to house the grammar grades was felt and a large brick building was constructed on Colfax Avenue. This was used by the High School until 1913, when the present High School building was completed.

This High School building is very modern, having gymnasiums, swimming pools, auditoriums, laboratories, domestic science rooms, music rooms and a "Little Theatre."

The building vacated by the High School is now occupied by the Junior High School.

The old building on Washington Street has been torn down, and the grounds beautified.

In 1831, the first Grade School in town was built on the site of the present School Administration Building. Mr. Henry Stull donated the poplar trees from his farm south of town.

The building was constructed of the round logs and was 20x30 feet in dimension. There was a huge fire-place, and two windows, but no door was placed in the doorway the first season.

They held a summer session in those days. There were not enough children in town to fill the room, so they went out along all the roads for two miles and urged the children to come to school. There were no free public schools in those days. Each child paid a certain amount for the privilege of attending school.

The children sat on benches with no backs on them and there were no desks. There were shelves along the side of the room for writing.

Elisha Egbert was the first teacher; from whom do you suppose he received his pay?

At this first school, there were children from the families of Navarre, Compart, Coquillard, Johnson, Stanfield, Stull, Rohrer, Dayton and many others. These families have done a great deal for the prosperity and growth of South Bend.

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Today we have eighteen large grade buildings,—the newer ones containing up-to-date equipment, such as gymnasiums, auditoriums, shower baths, domestic science and manual training rooms, printing shops and fresh air rooms.

Plans are being made for several large buildings to be built in the districts where the schools are over-crowded.

The Vocational Department of the city schools is very complete. Printing, machine, forge, lathe and automobile repair shops are conducted on a large scale. These classes are attended not only by the High School boys, but boys from the factories come into the classes and do part-time work.

Men and women from the factories, offices and homes attend the night classes. There is no charge for instruction in any of these Vocational Courses.

## NOTRE DAME UNIVERSITY

In 1829 Father Stephen Badin came to this vicinity, built a log chapel, and dedicated it to the interest of education. This was the beginning of Notre Dame University. Father Badin was the first priest ordained in the United States.

In 1842, Father Sorin, then a young man twenty-eight years old, left his country of France and came to America. From the moment Father Sorin landed on our shores, he ceased to be a foreigner. At once he was an American, heart and soul.

Soon after his arrival in this community, he began his religious as well as educational duties. He was not only local superior for the community, but president of the University, which office he held until 1865.

He fully believed that he could convert all the surrounding people, and worked zealously at all times toward that great end.

In 1849, Notre Dame graduated her first student, Neal H. Gillespie, afterwards Father Gillespie (a cousin of James Gillespie Blaine).

The first students came up the river from Lake Michigan or by stage and wagon road. After the coming of the railroad in 1851, the enrollment increased steadily.

Schuyler Colfax was a great friend of Father Sorin. He often made speeches to the students, always leaving impressions for good, and inspiring them to great deeds.

Notre Dame has continued to prosper—new buildings have taken the place of the early crude log buildings and more land has been purchased and improved. Notre Dame stands first among the great Catholic Universities of the United States.

The university, as it stands today, is a lasting tribute to the memory of Father Sorin.

Father Sorin's death occurred in October, 1893.

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## ST. MARY'S ACADEMY

1855

In 1844, the Sisters of the Holy Cross established their first mission in the United States. This was located at Bertrand, Michigan.

From this mission the sisters were sent out to spread educational ideas and the Christian religion among the Indians and white pioneers.

The Bishop of Detroit was not in full sympathy with the work, so they sought a location near South Bend.

Here, in 1855, under the personal supervision of Father Sorin, St. Mary's was established. Their first home was a crude frame house, only one room of which was plastered.

St. Mary's is located on a beautiful bluff, overlooking the St. Joseph river.

During the Civil and Spanish Wars and also during the late World War, the good sisters gave their untiring services whenever needed.

From its humble beginning, St. Mary's Academy has grown and prospered until today it has no superior among Catholic educational institutions for women and girls.

The aims of the institution have always been most modern and progressive. Without doubt, the St. Mary's of the future will keep pace with the requirements of the times.

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"The Public Library is an integral part of public education."

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#### SOUTH BEND PUBLIC LIBRARY

Public libraries are today a necessity to an enlightened community.

In 1872, some of our public-spirited men realized the need for a public library. Books and money were contributed and the first library established in the back room of a store on Michigan Street.

They soon outgrew these quarters and moved over on Washington Street, in the third story of a building. Soon after a fire destroyed all the books and the library practically went out of existence.

In 1880, South Bend and a number of other cities sent in a petition to the legislature, requesting authority to establish a free public library, to be maintained by taxes. This law was passed in 1883.

In 1888 the library was established, though they had neither room, books nor money. You see the money could not be had until the next year.

Mr. James Oliver came to the rescue and fitted up a room on the fourth floor of the Oliver Opera House building and loaned the necessary money. The Singer Manufacturing Company furnished the chairs. Other equipment was supplied and the library was opened to the public.

In 1895, there was great need for larger rooms, so ground was

purchased at the corner of Main and Wayne Streets, and the present library was built.

This library maintains the Washington Branch library on West Sample Street, and the River Park Branch on Mishawaka Avenue. There are also deposit stations in three factories, and school-room libraries are in nine of the out-lying districts.

There is a children's library and reading room on the second floor of the building. The main floor contains the circulating library and a reading room where all the best magazines and current newspapers are placed for the use of the public.

The Public Library is the one municipal institution supported solely by the people. It is the continuation school of the people.

## CHAPTER XV

### CITY PARKS

Many tracts of land have been given to the city by our public spirited citizens.

These parks are taken care of by a Board of Park Commissioners.

Drives, walks, playgrounds, benches and drinking fountains have been placed in the parks for the benefit and pleasure of our people.

Band concerts are given in a number of the parks during the warm season.

Skilled landscape gardeners have made the grounds attractive with trees, shrubs, and flowers.

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#### HOWARD PARK

Not until 1878 was any thought given to the need of public parks.

The first land considered was a city dumping ground on the east side of the river near the Jefferson Street Bridge.

In 1889 Alexis Coquillard, a nephew of the pioneer trader, donated four lots on the east bank. Other land was donated or bought for a small consideration. This land has been improved and beautified with trees, walks and drives; tennis courts have been added for recreation.

In 1894, the name Howard Park was officially given to this ground, in honor of Judge Timothy Howard, who had been instrumental in saving it for park purposes.

In 1906 Mr. J. M. Studebaker presented the park with a beautiful electric fountain and Calvert H. Defrees gave a bronze drinking fountain.

#### LEEPER PARK

In 1895, the city purchased a large tract of land for the use of

the waterworks department. The pumping station was built and the artesian wells sunk and capped over. This left the greater part of the tract available for park purposes.

The park was named in honor of David R. Leeper, a life-long resident and honored citizen.

In 1904 land from Michigan Street to Lafayette Boulevard was added to the park.

Playgrounds and tennis courts for the boys and girls of our city have been constructed.

A beautiful drinking fountain has been placed in the park in memory of one of our worthy citizens, Mr. Almond Bugbee.

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#### LA SALLE PARK

LaSalle Park on the east side of the river near the Sample Street bridge when filled in and improved will be one of our beauty spots along the river.

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#### STUDEBAKER PARK

Studebaker Park in the south-east part of the city was named for Henry Studebaker, one of the five brothers who came here at an early day.

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#### KALEY PARK

Kaley Park is in the south-western part of our city. A wading pool has been installed for the pleasure of the little folks. Benches, shrubs, and flowers make it a delightful place for the residents of our crowded districts.

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#### POTTAWATTOMIE PARK

Pottawattomie Park is the largest pleasure ground in the city. There are sixty acres, forty acres of which used to be the old County Fair grounds. The name was given it in memory of the old tribe of red men who occupied this territory many, many moons ago.

Pottawattomie Park is a favorite picnic ground for old and young. It is located on Mishawaka Avenue mid-way between Mishawaka and South Bend.

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#### RUM VILLAGE PARK

(See story of "O Sah la mo nee")

### COQUILLARD PARK

Coquillard Park is a large tract of land in the north eastern park of the city, near the Perley School. It was given to the city by the Coquillard heirs. It contains about ten acres and is a very beautiful site for a public park.

Other small parks under the supervision of the Park Board are Shetterly Park on Riverside Drive, near Leland Avenue; Riverside Park, farther down the river, near Hudson; Ravina and Krichbaum, in the southeast part of the city; the last three are still in the course of construction.

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### SPRINGBROOK PARK

Springbrook Park is an amusement park located on the south side of the river between Mishawaka and South Bend. It is owned and managed by the Chicago, South Bend and Northern Indiana Railway Company. There are many attractions and amusements to interest the throngs of visitors each summer season.

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### CLIMAX

1920

What a change! Where log cabins and wigwams once stood, now stand churches, homes and factories; where they walked or rode in single file, now locomotives scream like beasts of prey, and rush along their iron tracks; wide paved roadways extend in all directions through the city and connect us with other cities. Automobiles and aeroplanes carry our people to all parts of the country.

## ACCURATE FIGURES ABOUT SOUTH BEND

Corrected as far as possible to November 15, 1920.

The Editor should be notified of any error or of later statistics.

South Bend is located eighty-six miles east of Chicago at a point where the St. Joseph River, one of the most picturesque streams in America, flowing down from Michigan, makes its "south bend" and turns northward to the great lakes. It is the County seat of St. Joseph County as well as its largest city.

Altitude: 722 feet.

Area: (City proper) 15.74 square miles.

Birth Rate: 18.64 per 1,000.

Building Operations: More than 600 houses erected during summer of 1919. Oliver Chilled Plow Works to build 1,000; Studebaker Corporation, 1,500 in immediate future.

Churches: 63, several missions, all leading denominations.

City Library: Nearly 52,000 accessioned volumes, with a circulation of 232,689 during the last year.

Clubs: Country Club with buildings and golf course, Indiana Club, Knife and Fork Club, Rotary Club, University Club, Federated Women's Clubs and Fraternal Organizations, Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A., Kiwanis Club, Commercial Athletic Club, Chamber of Commerce, Advertising Club, Press Club, and Engineers' Club.

Death Rate: 9:89 per 1,000.

Education: 18 grade public schools, \$450,000 High School, vocational school, 12 parochial schools, 3 business colleges, free night schools, with Notre Dame University and St. Mary's Academy two miles north of the city.

Financial Institutions: 10 banks and trust companies, with total deposits of \$21,667,155.34, total capital stock, \$1,661,700; total surplus and undivided profits, \$1,575,317.07, and total clearings for 1919, \$81,770,275.00.

Hospitals: 2 hospitals, County Infirmary, Orphans' Home.

Hotels: Oliver—245 rooms; Jefferson—120 rooms; nine smaller hotels.

Industries: Over 200 distinct products are turned out by 250 establishments, involving \$70,180,000 invested capital, with annual wages of \$31,072,000, and producing annually \$75,180,000 in manufactured goods.

Newspapers: News-Times—morning, evening and Sunday; circulation, daily, 17,000; Tribune—evening, circulation 17,500.

Population: 70,983 (1920 Census).

Power, Light and Gas: St. Joseph River developing 25,000 hydro-electric horse-power from four dams in this vicinity, most of this power available for South Bend. Power rate \$1.00 per month per horse-power attached, and 1.1c to 6c per kwh. Rate for commercial lighting 3½c to 8½c per kwh. Rate for residence lighting, 4c to 8½c per kwh. Gas rates range from 83c to \$1.08 per 1,000 cu. ft. according to the amount consumed.

Parks and Playgrounds: Ten parks with an acreage of 366. Ten playgrounds under direction of Municipal Recreation Committee with 19 instructors and directors.

Public Safety: Fire Department, 9 stations, 67 men, auto and horse equipment. Police department, 65 men and one police-woman, two men in Health Department, Superintendent of police and fire alarms, humane officer, police ambulance, auto patrols and motorcycle squad.

Streets: Total length of streets, alleys and avenues in city limits, 219.38 miles; total length of street pavement, 86.3 miles; lighted by 1501 public lights; main streets illuminated by boulevard cluster lights.

Tax rate: \$1.50 per hundred, covers city, county, school and state. Assessment basis, 100%.

Telephone: Indiana Bell manual exchange; 6,800 stations; average calls per day, 44,000; long distance calls per day, 1,000. Direct connection with New York, Chicago, San Francisco and intermediate points. Automatic exchange, 4,200 stations connected with 6 exchanges, total average calls per day, 40,000.

Theaters: Oliver Opera House, plays best road companies and occasional high class movies; Orpheum, Keith Circuit vaudeville; several motion picture houses.

Transportation: 7 steam roads; Lake Shore and Michigan Southern; Grand Trunk; Michigan Central; Pennsylvania (Vandalia); Chicago, Indiana and Southern; New Jersey, Indiana and Illinois; Lake Erie and Western, entering the city from Indianapolis over the tracks of the C. I. & S. Electric lines; Chicago, South Bend and Northern Indiana; Chicago, Lake Shore and South Bend; Southern Michigan. These lines provide service between this city, Chicago, and Indianapolis, and important points on the shore of Lake Michigan. Steam and electric roads provide 180 trains daily,

90 in and 90 out. Exceptional freight facilities over main trunk and division lines connecting with practically every road centering in the Chicago district.

## FREIGHT RATES

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New York	1.51	1.33	1.01	70.5	60.
St. Paul	1.56	1.31	1.02	60.	53.
Missouri River	1.82	1.45 $\frac{1}{2}$	1.13 $\frac{1}{2}$	85.5	65.5
Texas					
Common Points	3.02	2.56 $\frac{1}{2}$	2.09 $\frac{1}{2}$	1.88 $\frac{1}{2}$	1.44
Pacific Coast					
Terminals	5.83	5.05 $\frac{1}{2}$	4.20	1.97 $\frac{1}{2}$	

Water Supply: The city's water supply is drawn from about 100 artesian wells; plant valuation \$1,800,000. Normal pumping capacity for 24 hours, 24,000,000 gallons. South Bend drinks and puts out fires with pure, cold, sparkling water that is the envy of less fortunate cities.

## Teacher's Notes

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